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# Seat belt campaign nets at least 93 violations

Click it or Ticket' aimed to increase belt usage, decrease fatalities

by Cheryll Ruley Staff Writer

As the Thanksgiving holiday week began, law enforcement agencies statewide began a stepped up campaign to increase the use of safety belts in Michigan called "Click it or Ticket.'

week, Crawford County Sheriff's Deputies issued 78 tickets to drivers found in violation of the state's safety belt law. Although the citations do not tack on any points to the violators' driving records, they each come with a \$50 fine.

county were Deputies Conrad Niederhouse, Jason Alexander, Steve Anderson, Jr. and Ryan

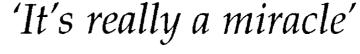
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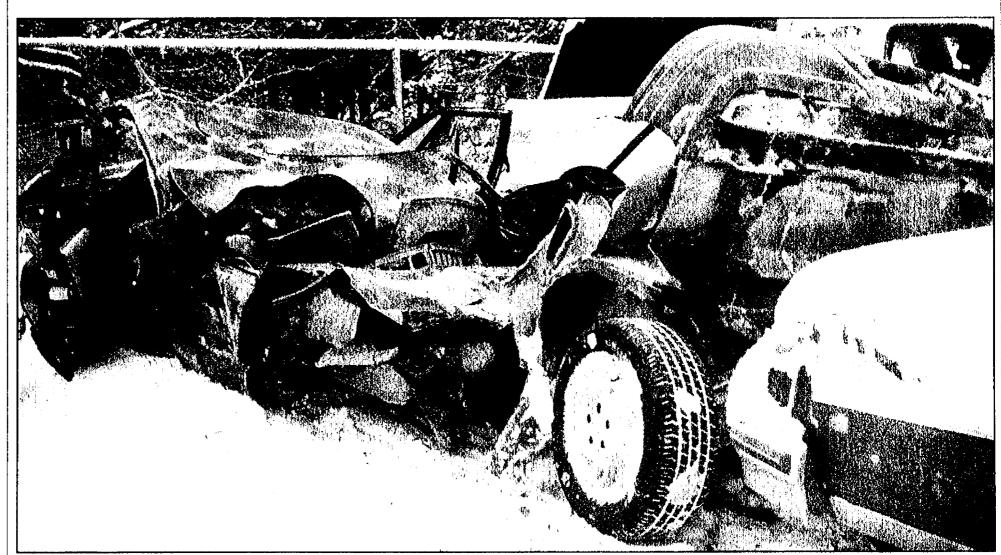
Michigan's safety belt law states anyone riding in the front seat of a motor vehicle must wear the belt. Persons under the age of 16, whether riding in the front or rear of the vehicle must be belted, and small children, age four and under, must be buckled into a properly anchored child safety seat regardless of where they are seated.

Sheriff Kirk Wakefield said his department will probably not realize any funds from the \$3,900 in tickets, but is happy the program is bringing greater awareness of the law. He During a three-day period last said his deputies will continue to ticket drivers found in violation, whether as a stand alone ticket or in conjunction with another traffic violation such as speeding.

"Wearing your safety belt is by far the best insurance to surviving a crash," Wakefield said. "We don't Heading up the effort for the want to lose anybody this holiday season. I still can't believe with all

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The father of the young driver of this car said his son's survival of a late night crash on I-75 last Sunday night was a miracle. His passenger walked away from the accident with only minor cuts and scrapes. The boys were returning to college when the one vehicle accident occurred just before midnight near Exit 254.

Vending machine thieves caught

Staff Writer serious injuries late Sunday night, December 1, when their car left the roadway on northbound I-75 and crashed into a tree, splitting the car

by Cheryll Ruley

feet apart on the snowy roadside. Justin Paul Montgomery, age 18, of Rochester, was driving back to Northern Michigan University with fellow student, Logan Joseph

in half and leaving the pieces 50

Chase, also 18, of Grand Rapids, car when Coe arrived and suffered when the wheels of Montgomery's only minor injuries. Two downstate teens escaped 1992 Pontiac Bonneville got

caught up in slush on the road sur-

face, causing him to lose control of the car just north of Exit 254. First to the scene was Grayling Police Officer Tim Coe who called

for the Grayling Fire Department with its Jaws of Life when he found Montgomery trapped in the car, but seemingly in good shape. Chase was walking around outside of the

his son is doing pretty well, though still suffering from the trauma of the accident. "It's really a miracle these boys survived the crash. They have nothing broken and no bad cuts. Justin is in a neck brace and has a sore back, but seems to be doing well. I have always told him to wear his seat belt and it really paid off."

Paul added, "I can't say enough about the hospital staff and how Montgomery's father, Paul, said very considerate they were to me while caring for my son and his friend." Michigan State Police Troopers Flick and Julin were also at the scene and handled the accident investigation. MMR ambulances took both young men to Grayling Mercy Hopsital for treat-

> No alcohol was involved in the accident.

#### 'A number of police agencies are Missaukee and Wexford Counties.

by Cheryll Ruley Staff Writer

working together to determine the extent of a five-county crime spree where numerous change making and vending machines were found damaged and cash stolen.

The Michigan State Police (MSP) Post in Houghton Lake is heading up the investigation locally, and three Roscommon County teenagers arrested November 26 are believed

to have committed crimes in Crawford, Roscommon, Ogemaw,

To name a just a few, machines cleaned out in Crawford County include those located at two rest stops -- one on US-127 and one on I-75, the pop machine at the Grayling Hospital for Animals, and one at Diane's Car Wash.

The teens were arrested following Continued on Page 2A

See "VENDING...."

# When I am an old woman, I shall wear purple...



Photo by Linda Golnick (still too young for the club)

Members of the new AuSable River Red Hatters recently attended "high tea" at the Flying Fish Lodge in Grayling. Discussing a very interesting matter are, from left, Betty Bennett, Donna Thomson and Mary Jane Knibbs.

"When I am an old woman, I shall wear purple..." and, so goes the poem that inspired the first chapter of the Red Hat Society, founded in California two years ago and now has 12,000 members across the United States.

The first Red Hat Society state convention held in Michigan took place September, 2001

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Frankenmuth.

Grayling now has its own Red Hat Chapter: "The AuSable River Red Hatters." Mary Jane Knibbs, now known as Queen Mother, was interested in forming a local chapter soon after reading about the group. Interest was so strong that membership is now closed at 30 members, for safety reasons and

crowd control.

There are no real rules, except two: you must be a woman over 50 years of age and wear a purple outfit with a red hat to all gatherings. It also helps to be ready to have fun, enjoy laughter, conversation, and meeting new people. There are no dues and, thank goodness, no com-

One member of the local Red Hat Chapter said recently, "People should know that just because a person reaches 50, doesn't mean they can't be a little crazy and do crazy and outrageous things. We can relax and be ourselves."

Meetings have been held at Patti's Towne House, Jac's Place at Marsh Ridge, and most recently at the Flying Fish Lodge. Any member can suggest where to go or what to do for the next meeting and no activity is set in stone.

Wherever the group goes, they attract attention -- people stop and stare -- but are soon smiling and asking, "What's going on?"

Anyone interested in starting a chapter of the Red Hats, should visit www.redhatsociety.com on the Internet today.

The following is the poem that started it all:

Warning

When I am an old woman I shall wear purple With a red hat which doesn't go,

and doesn't suit me, And I shall spend my pension on

brandy and summer gloves

And satin sandals, and say we've no money for butter.

I shall sit down on the pavement when I'm tired

And gobble up samples in shops and press alarm bells

And run my stick along the public

And make up for the sobriety of

I shall go out in my slippers in

And pick the flowers in other

people's gardens

And learn to spit.

You can wear terrible shirts and grow more fat

And eat three pounds of sausages

Or only bread and pickle for a

And hoard pens and pencils and

beermats and things in boxes. But now we must have clothes

that keep us dry

And pay our rent and not swear in the street

And set a good example for the

children. We will have friends to dinner

and read the papers. But maybe I ought to practise a

little now? So people who know me are not

too shocked and surprised

When suddenly I am old and start to wear purple.

by British poet, Jenny Joseph (1932 - )

# **Crawford's Ten Most** Wanted now online

by Cheryll Ruley Staff Writer

Ten fugitives from the law are Crawford County's Ten Most now being featured as Crawford County's Ten Most Wanted on the Sheriff's Office web site. One case dates back to more than ten years

"I am always looking for innovative ways to fight crime," said Sheriff Kirk Wakefield. "Everybody is using the Internet, so why not use it as a tool to catch some of these criminals who have eluded the law, keeping cases open for years?"

The site features profiles of those wanted in a similar fashion as the long-running television program, "America's Most Wanted" hosted by John Walsh. A full description of the wanted person, his or her known associates, description of charges or crimes and other identifying information are included, along with "mug shots."

Wakefield said his personnel will pick up any of those wanted if they are located within the boundaries of the state of Michigan. Tips can be made anonymously by calling the Tip Line at (989) 348-4616, ext. 228, the Crawford County Jail at (989) 348-4822, answering 24-hours a day, or by e-mail at tips@crawfordsheriff.org.

"If we can catch up to one person on this list, it will be one more crim-

inal off the streets and brought to justice," Wakefield said. Many of

at scheduled court hearings. The addition of the Ten Most Wanted list to the Sheriff's Office web site, at www.crawfordsher-v iff.org, comes at no cost to the County, said Wakefield and credits Information Systems Department Director Jim Baker with the continued evolution of the site.

Wanted are charged with drug

crimes and/or have failed to appear

Currently on the Ten Most Wanted list are:



William Ray

William Ray Adkins, a white male, date of birth April 10, 1948, height 5'7," weight 140 He has lbs. brown hair and brown eyes, has

Adkins

no known aliases, and his last

know addresses were Chapmanville, WV and Frederic. Adkins failed to appear for a jury trial on charges of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor, unlawful blood alcohol, and possession of marijuana. His mug shot was taken June 17, 1999.

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# County Board recognizes Sheriff's Office in stand-off case

Stand-off ended peacefully; home secured, cleaned up by Sheriff's officers

by Cheryll Ruley Staff Writer

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield, Undersheriff Shawn Kraycs, Captain Scott Feldhauser, and Sergeant Randy Baerlocher were honored recently by the

# Hunter dies after fall from tree stand

by Cheryll Ruley Staff Writer

Gerrish Township Police, in Roscommon County, are continuing their investigation into an apparent hunting accident that took the life of a local man.

According to Police Chief John C. Biggar, 45-year old Charles Emerick was found by family members to be suffering from severe head trauma and unresponsive on Sunday, November 24 at about 6 p.m. in Section 11 of Gerrish Township where his tree stand was located. He was hunting

Emerick was attended to by paramedics who rushed to the scene and attempts to revive him were made during his transport to Mercy Hospital in Grayling, where he was pronounced dead on arrival.

Chief Biggar stated he does not suspect foul play was involved in Emerick's death and offered the following advice: "I would like to urge all hunters to use extra caution when in tree stands. Wear a safety belt while climbing into and out of the tree stand, and while in the tree stand. Be sure your weapon is unloaded, and hoist and lower it from the tree with a rope."

Crawford County Board of Commissioners for actions they took in the resolution of the October 27 stand-off in Lovells Township.

Wakefield described his department's actions to the Board at the November 14 Law Enforcement Committee meeting. He reported that his personnel, along with the northern Michigan Emergency Response Team, kept vigilant watch over the seasonal home on Morley Road for nearly nine hours.

When negotiations failed to bring car theft and breaking and entering suspect, Ronald Charles Kissee, out of the home, windows were broken and nine canisters of dry tear gas were released into the home. Kissee was arrested not long afterward when he was found cowering in the bathroom shower, holding a knife out in front of him.

Sheriff Wakefield told the Board

he secured the home himself that evening by cutting wood and boarding up the windows. Then, wearing protective masks and clothing, Wakefield, Krayes, Feldhauser and Baerlocher spent hours of their own time cleaning the walls and furnishings to rid the home of the tear gas residue. The home belongs to

Kissee's father.

The only cost to the Sheriff's budget was \$233.40 in glass replacement. Wakefield said a cost estimate of clean up by a professional company would have been anywhere from \$7,000 to \$8,000 and he knew his budget couldn't handle the hit. None of the damage done to bring the incident to a resolution is covered by insurance.

On November 20, the Board of Commissioners issued a letter of congratulations to the four men for apprehending Kissee, thus solving a

string of recent crimes.

The letter also commended the men for the clean up work.

They wrote: "Such action, taken upon yourselves, was above and beyond the expectations and responsibilities of you positions. It shows a complete selflessness for the benefit of the community and the finances of the County. This would have cost taxpayers of our community thousands of unbudgeted dollars that the County does not have available. Words can not express the gratitude and admiration that was felt by the Board of Commissioners concerning your efforts. Thank you."

Sheriff Wakefield said the actions his office took in the matter were "the right thing to do." He said he didn't want to add Kissee's father and the county budget to the long list of victims.

# Camp Grayling's 745th Ordnance Company mobilized for Operation Noble Eagle

The 745th Ordnance Company (Explosive Ordnance Disposal), Michigan Army National Guard of Camp Grayling, has received notification of a Presidential Call-Up in support of Operation Noble Eagle/Enduring Freedom.

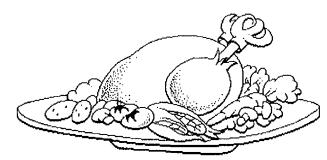
The unit is scheduled to depart Camp Grayling for their mobilization site at Fort Hood, Texas, on December 1.

At Fort Hood, the 22-member unit will spend about a week in-processing before moving on to the Redstone Army Arsenal in Alabama, for EOD refresher training. The final destination of the unit has not yet been confirmed, but it is expected they will augment a deploying active duty unit for one year.

"Our job is to be ready to go whenever and wherever our commander in chief needs us," said Colonel Dennis Hull, Camp Grayling commander. "This unit has been called on, in the past, and I'm confident these soldiers will represent Michigan well, once again. They are, simply, a top-notch unit." The unit is not expected to be deployed overseas.

In 1990, the 745th was deployed to the front lines for the Gulf War and provided support, in 2002, for the Summer Olympics at Salt Lake City, Utah. In recent years, the unit has also been deployed for training to Panama, New Mexico and Utah, where they conducted range clearing operations.

# Thanksgiving dinner breaks another record



by Cheryll Ruley

Staff Writery you Crawford AuSable Community Thanksgiving Dinner Committee broke another record this year, serving nearly 650 meals last Thursday, November 28. About 600 were served via the 2001 event.

According to Therese Kaiser, cofounder of the free annual holiday meal, about 290 meals were delivered by only 10 volunteer drivers. She said, unfortunately, volun-

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a traffic stop after being seen leav-

ing the Nine Mile Hill rest area on I-

75 in Roscommon County, MSP's

Sergeant Kenneth Holmes said tools

suspected to have been used in the

crimes, damaged pop machine parts

and stolen cash were recovered as

MSP's Sergeant Kevin Breese

reported Randy Carl Piipponen, age

evidence.

year, but everyone kept a cheerful attitude and made the deliveries throughout the city Grayling as well as around County.

Kaiser and her husband, Skip, began offering the free meal nine years ago when they discovered many people in the community would spend the holiday alone or couldn't afford to prepare the traditional Thanksgiving dinner.

Each year, businesses and individuals donate food and money in order to provide the dinner at no cost along a friendly dining atmosphere. For those who can afford the meal, but would prefer to skip the

Millard, age 17, of Houghton Lake,

and Joshua Alan Lobeck, age 18 of

Roscommon were arraigned

November 27. They were each

charged with one felony count of

Breaking and Entry of a Coin

Operated Device, which carries a

possible sentence of three years in

The State Police believe the trio

prison and/or \$1,000 fine.

18 of Roscommon, David Curtis has been traveling around northern

Vending machine thieves caught

teerism was down this hassle of preparation, a donation of any size is most welcome and helps build the funds for the next dinner.

> The GPA (Grayling Promotional Association) came to the rescue in the weeks before the event by paying the \$300 hall and kitchen fee at the Knights of Columbus Hall, and a last minute donation came in to cover the cost of pumpkin pies.

Kaiser said a line had afready begun forming by 11 a.m., the same time home deliveries began. She said help comes from unexpected places sometimes and this year, when one of the volunteer's cars broke down while on delivery, a television news photographer covering the story came to the rescue and helped get the rest of the meals

Michigan for the past three weeks

and have broken into at least 20

machines located at rest areas, car

washes, restaurants and other busi-

total count of money taken and

damage done has not yet been deter-

Sgt. Holmes stated in a press

release that the suspects have pro-

vided information implicating them

in similar incidents in West Branch,

Additional charges are pending against Piipponen, Millard and Lobeck, who remain lodged in the

Lake City, and Cadillac.

Roscommon County Jail.

nesses in the five counties listed. A

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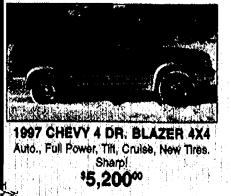


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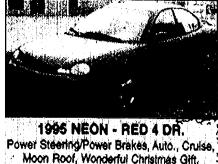


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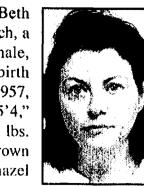
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# Crawford's Ten Most Wanted now online

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Carol Beth Short Bartsch, a white female, date of birth April 28, 1957, height 5'4," weight 200 lbs. She has brown hair and hazel eyes. Her know aliases are Carol Beth Short and



Carol Beth **Short Bartsch** 

Carol Beth Macki and her last known addresses were in Flint and Mancelona. She failed to appear in court on a felony charge of retail fraud first degree and a misdemeanor charge of retail fraud second degree. Her mug shot was taken May 31, 2000.



Randy Duane **Bindschatel** 

Randy Duane Bindschatel, a white male, date birth September 14, 1964, height 6'1," weight 288 He has blond hair and blue eyes, has no known aliases and his last known address-

es were in Grayling, Knoxville, TN, and Hudson, FL. He has held driver's licenses in all three states and has an FBI record. He is wanted on a probation violation of felony possession/distribution of dangerous drugs. His mug shot was taken November 19, 1992.

Stephen Rene Cloutier, a white

male, date of birth February 4, 1955, height 6'3," weight 250 lbs. He has brown hair and blue eyes and sometimes uses the alias Stephen Phillips. His known



Stephen Rene Cloutier

addresses were in Grayling, Siletz, OR, and Marana, AZ. He has held driver's licenses in all three states and has an FBI record. He is wanted on a felony charge of breaking and entering a building with intent. His mug shot was taken October 15,

Dohn Joseph (DJ) Gugin, a white left

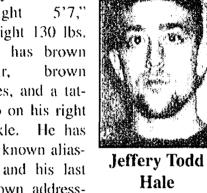
DRAWFORD ON Dohn Joseph (DJ) Gugin

male, date of birth March 8, 1976, height 5'10," weight 600 lbs. He has tattoos on his forearm, right forearm, upper left arm and left hand. He has black hair and brown

eyes and uses the alias DJ Gugin. His last known addresses were in Frederic and Lexington, KY. He has held driver's licenses in both states and has an FBI record. He is wanted on a probation violation after failing to return from medical leave, felony escape from custody, and failure to appear in court on the charge of felony delivery of marijuana. His mug shot was taken August 26, 1997.

Jeffrey Todd Hale, a white male,

date of birth July 30, 1978, 5'7," height weight 130 lbs. He has brown brown hair, eyes, and a tattoo on his right ankle. He has no known aliases and his last known address-



es were in Grayling, and Bradenton, FL. He has held driver's licenses in both states. He is wanted for a probation violation on the original charge of and Grayling. mug shot was taken February 27, appear for a scheduled court hearing the whereabouts of any of the Ten 1996.

male, date of birth July 22, 1969,

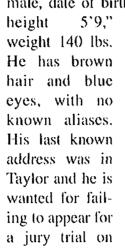


Randy Eugene Martin

height 6'0." weight 160 lbs. He has brown hair and brown white eyes. He has no known aliases and he has an 1974, FBI record. His 6'0," known addresses were brown in Flint and he is wanted on a

probation violation on the original charge of possession of marijuana with intent to deliver. His mug shot was taken October 22, 1994.

William Edward Martin, a white male, date of birth March 3, 1978,



**William Edward** Martin

charge of possession of marijuana. His mug shot was taken July 1, 2000.

original

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Heather Marie McAllister, a white female, date of birth July 21, 1977,



**Heather Marie** McAllister

done about it.

height 5'5," weight 100 lbs. She has brown hair and green eyes; a scar on her left leg, a scar of her right leg and a tattoo on her left forearm. Her last known addresses were in Ann Arbor, Chelsea,

She has an FBI felony farceny from a building. His record and is wanted for failing to on the charge of use of marijuana Randy Eugene Martin, a white and possession of marijuana. Her the jail immediately.

Superintendent Milli Haug said

we do our kids an injustice when we

put our heads in the sand. "We are a

community capable of taking care of

issues and important resources like

School personnel said the prob-

lem covers the gamut of the school

our students," said Haug.

activities, such as drama.

mug shot was taken August 4, 1995.

Thomas Christopher Schweizer, a male, date of birth September 30, height weight 190 lbs. He has hair (sometimes in a pony tail) and blue eyes and sometimes uses



Christopher Schweizer

the alias Tommy Schweizer. He is a registered sex offender whose last known address is in Grayling. He is wanted for failing to appear in court on a charge of assault and battery, felony absconding/forfeiting bond, failure to appear for a jury trial on felony charges, an outstanding felony warrant for malicious destruction of police property, resisting/obstructing an officer, and an outstanding Friend of the Court warrant for \$20,000 child support arrearages. His mug shot was taken May 23, 2000.

Sheriff Wakefield said many people with outstanding warrants are apprehended by chance during a routine traffic stop, when officers ask dispatchers for information on the driver and his or her passengers. He hopes the posting of the Ten Most Wanted on the web site will provide another avenue for identification and apprehension of wanted criminals. With the information now available worldwide, a tip may come from another state or another country, leading to the arrest of one of the ten. The site will be updated as those wanted are captured.

With the Christmas and New Year holidays approaching, some of these people wanted by the Crawford County Sheriff's Office may travel to the area to visit family and/or friends. Sheriff Wakefield encourages anyone who sees or knows of Most Wanted to contact his office or

kids how to start making good

Sheriff Kirk Wakefield mentioned

the liaison officer program now run-

ning in all the district buildings

should show good results as students

come to realize the officers are there

to help and they do care what hap-

pens to the students, but it will take

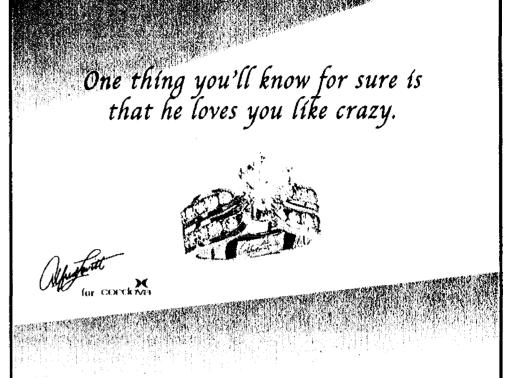
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# Substance Abuse Task Force formed by school district

by Susan Warrington Staff Writer

A task force whose mission is to try to stem the rising tide of substance abuse among young people drew approximately 20 people to the initial meeting, November 25.

Representatives of the Crawford AuSable School District board, Grayling Police, Crawford County Sheriff's Office, administrators and teachers from the middle and high school together with students, par-

ents and organizations who work with young people on a regular basis came together to begin the process of solving the problem.

Everyone recognized the problem but at least one person felt the problem wasn't that severe. This was countered by another person who said substance abuse has been a long-standing problem in the community and she was happy the problem was finally being recognized because now something could be

# Seat belt campaign nets at least 93 violations

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we know about the advantages of safety belt usage, that so many people still aren't buckling up."

Some drivers told officers they were unaware of the law or the Click it or Ticket campaign, although the Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning has been reminding drivers of the campaign for the past two weeks through numerous radio and television public service announcements, and newspaper articles all over the state.

In just one four-hour block on

**ATTENTION** 

December 2, Michigan State Police Troopers ticketed 15 violators in Crawford County alone, and promise to keep up the campaign to get more people to wear their belts.

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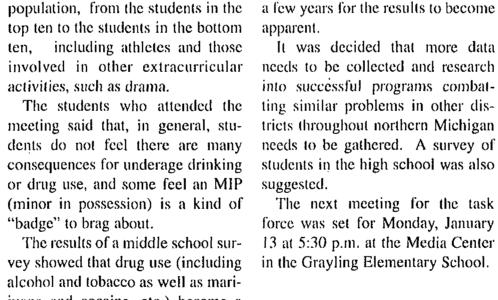
The Grayling Police Department

is also participating in the campaign, but their total number of safety belt tickets issued was unavailable at

(minor in possession) is a kind of "badge" to brag about. The results of a middle school survey showed that drug use (including

alcohol and tobacco as well as marijuana and cocaine, etc.) became a greater concern as the students moved from 6th to 8th grade.

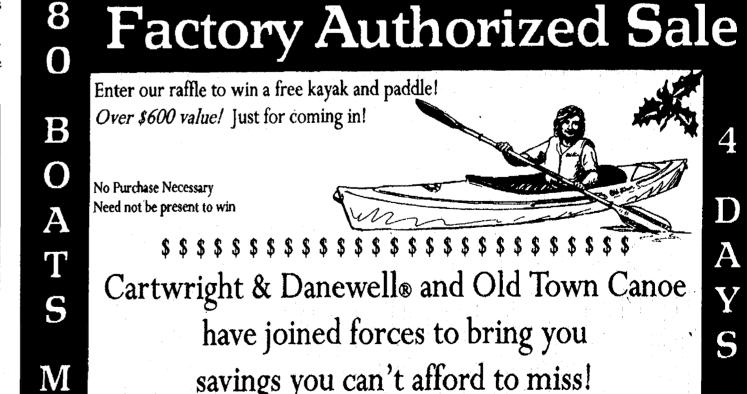
Suggestions for turning the problem around included showing the



force was set for Monday, January 13 at 5:30 p.m. at the Media Center in the Grayling Elementary School.

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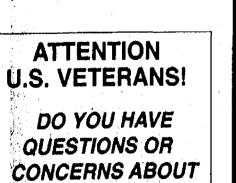
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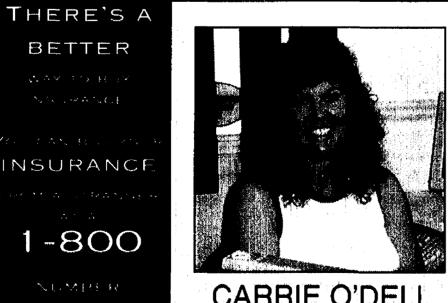


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# ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

# New Governor needs help ... lots of it

**GOVERNOR** ELECT Granholm appears to be taking a cautious approach to her new job. That's good.

She has organized task forces and study groups to look into every nook and cranny of state problems, state policies, and state government operations. That's good, too.

In fact, there are so many Granholm task forces and study missions at work that it's as if she's trying to involve everyone who voted for her in the early decision-making process.

Ms. Granholm has reached into recent history, tapping veterans of government service past, mostly fellow Democrats, of course.

A couple of examples: Lynn Jondahl, an affable and knowledgeable former state representative, heads her transition team. Good choice.

Robert Naftaly, budget director under former Governor James Blanchard 15 or 20 years ago, leads a task force on budgets and finance. Another good choice.

Experience is a wonderful asset in assign-

Jennifer ments such as these...so long as yesterday's experience does not endanger tomorrow's new ideas.

> THE IMMEDIATE tasks before Ms. Granholm as governor are huge, and she needs all the wisdom and all the help she

Solutions to most problems carry dollar signs. With the administration of Governor John Engler about to depart and that of Governor Jennifer Granholm about to enter, three different budget deficits are at hand. It can get confusing.

First there's a shortage of about \$200 million or so in the final tabulation of the 2001-02 budget year recently concluded. That's expected to be filled by draining the Budget Stabilization Fund-the so-called rainy day fund--down to near its limits.

Then there's the budget for the year 2002-03, formulated by the outgoing governor and adopted by the outgoing legislature. Due largely to a declining economy, that's short about \$500 million or so.

Before he leaves office, Governor Engler through executive orders seeks to cut one to five percent in most departments and programs, including higher education and local revenue sharing. These cuts will hurt.

THEN COMES the 2003-04 fiscal year budget, which is the duty of the new governor and the new legislature. Based on forecasts of future revenues and spending, the first Granholm budget for the next fiscal year will fall about \$1.8 billion short.

And unless national economic trends take sharp and lasting upturns in the next few years, budget making will continue as a mystifying and dangerous activity throughout Jennifer Granholm's first term as gover-

It's also a truism in government that new programs usually cost money. Until Michigan government's financial problems can be satisfied, it may be extremely difficult for our new governor to do all those wonderful things she and her supporters hope to accomplish through state government. The dollars may not be there.

BIG CHANGES come from little steps, and the new governor set a commendable personal example when she promised she and the new lieutenant governor, John Cherry, would neither seek nor accept any increase in salary for the next four years.

The State Officers Compensation Commission (SOCC), which by law sets pay for top officials, will consider pay levels for 2005-06 for governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, secretary of state, legislators and supreme court justices.

Ms. Granholm wrote the commission that due to the budget crisis the state faces, the governor's pay should not be raised. An aide said Ms. Granholm "hopes other elected officials will follow suit."

Senator Ken Sikkema, the incoming senate Republican leader, also wrote the commission, urging delay because any proposal for pay levels four years in advance "is pre-

Under the constitution, pay adjustments

for elected state officials do not take effect until after the ensuing election.

Hopefully other elected officials will join the call for delay, temperance, or better yet, as Ms. Granholm suggests, to hold the line.

Salary for governor now is \$177,000, lieutenant governor \$123,900, secretary of state and attorney general, \$124,900 each, legislator base pay is \$79,650 and supreme court justice \$164,610.

There's nothing wrong with saying "that's plenty for now" for all those jobs--at least until the state's money problems ease a

Jennifer Granholm is saying just that, and she deserves a big round of applause from Michigan taxpayers for her stand.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to

several Michigan newspapers.

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# Majority of voting UMRA members favor Natural River designation

To the editor,

The voice of the people does matter. Members at our membership meeting on September 21 at the Bear Lake Township Hall, directed our Board of Directors to canvas the membership regarding support or opposition to designation of the Manistee River under the State of Michigan's Natural Rivers program.

Approximately 300 of the 600 riparian owners on the Manistee River, between Mancelona Road and Highway M-66, are family members of the Upper Manistee River Association. As directed, we asked our family members to vote, using a postcard by return mail. Sealed envelopes containing these

An unprecedented 60% return indicated that a majority of our family members favored Natural River designation.

Mrs. Wennerstrom stated in her letter that the Upper Manistee River Association "paid the DNR for services of officers at canoeist departure points." This is not true. We entered into a contract with the Crawford County Sheriff's Office, on a cost sharing basis, to provide a deputy on weekends from June 30 through Labor Day. The deputy made her presence known at canoe launch, and retrieval sites as well, along the river corridor. She talked to many of the canocists about their cards were opened on November behavior, issuing several warnings

and making at least one arrest.

I trust this letter serves to correct these two errors.

James E. Powers

President **Upper Manistee River Association** 

Editor's note: Although stated in a previous issue of the Crawford County Avalanche that no more letters were going to be accepted at this time regarding the Natural River designation of the Manistee River, we had not heard officially from the Upper Manistee River Association. We chose to allow another voice to be heard on the issue by publishing the UMRA's rep-

# VIEWPOINT

by Rand Wentworth, President, Land Trust Alliance,

# A smart investment tip: conserve land

At a time when Wall Street offers disappointing returns, land conservation remains one of America's smartest investments. It attracts jobs, enhances property values, and saves billions in government costs.

Today, the best jobs go where the top talent wants to live, and that is in places of natural beauty. Communities that conserve land make an investment in future economic development.

Property next to conservation lands skyrocket in value, with homes selling for 10-20 percent more than comparable homes without access to parks. A survey by the American Association of Homebuilders concluded that new home buyers want trails and natural areas above any other amenity. Frederick Law Olmsted demonstrated this with Central Park, which was built in the late 1800s for \$14 million and returns \$5.4 million in additional annual value.

Saving land from development is often the best way to reduce government spending and avoid increases in property taxes. Many jurisdictions believe that they will make money from property taxes on new subdivisions, ignoring the true cost of schools, roads, police, water, and storm water management. Studies show that it costs between \$1.04 and \$2 for every dollar of tax revenue to provide services to a typical subdivision. So, current taxpayers end up subsidizing outsiders who bring increased traffic, crowded schools, and the loss of the community's

individual culture.

and Kirt Manecke, Director of Development, HeadWaters Land Conservancy

It is also cheaper to protect clean water at its source than to build expensive water treatment facilities. New York City, for example, saved \$5 billion in construction costs by purchasing conservation lands around its reservoirs in the Catskill Mountains.

Despite the many documented economic benefits of conservation, each day we are losing 8.6 square miles of America's finest lands to development. At this pace, most of the special places in America will be gone within 20 years. We live in a democracy, but most people simply do not believe that they have a choice about the sprawl that is eroding both our communities and our countryside.

Yet there is another reason for hope. Gaylord's HeadWaters Land Conservancy is working hard to protect northern Michigan's landscapes, already protecting over 575 acres in 2002 with more on the way. America's 1,200-plus nonprofit land trusts have protected more than 6.2 million acres throughout the country. Land trusts are non-adversarial, charitable organizations that help private landowners protect their land, and they are working for the day when every child in America will grow up within 10 minutes of a protected park, trail, farm or natural area.

To accomplish this vision, the Land Trust Alliance is working with Congress to improve tax incentives and funding for private landowners, especially farmers and

ranchers, 'who' voluntarily protect their land from development: Voters across the country have shown their strong support for conservation by committing more than \$20 billion in tax revenues since 1998 to protect parks and open

You can take an important step for your community: offer your leadership, political support, and charitable gifts to a land trust. Better yet, consider donating a conservation easement on your land. It is an investment in the future that offers attractive tax benefits and the satisfaction that the land you love will be protected forever.

HeadWaters Land Conservancy protects land in the 11-county region of northwest Lower Alcona, Michigan, including Alpena, Arenac, Crawford, Roscommon, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, and Presque Isle Counties. For information on HeadWaters Land Conservancy, please call (989) 731-0573, visit www.headwaterconservancy.org, or e-mail headwaters@ gtlakes.com.

The Land Trust Alliance (LTA) is the leading national organization for private, voluntary land conservation with its headquarters and Mid-Atlantic Program office in Washington, D.C., and other regional programs in Durham, NC. Grand Junction, CO, Portage, MI, Saratoga Springs, NY, and Seattle,

# We are lucky to have Mercy

To the editor,

Nobody enjoys going to the hospital, but here in Grayling we have a hospital with staff who care and give such excellent service, I just wanted to write and say how proud I felt about this and mention how lucky we are.

I recently had to make an emergency visit to the hospital as a patient in the early hours of the morning. This was a first time stay and I was in a great deal of pain. I am now at home recovering.

Starting with the emergency room assistant, who asked all the ques-

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tions, to the doctor, nurse and x-ray technician who were on duty, all were so kind, patient and showed such concern for me.

My surgeon and anesthesiologist and the nurses made me feel so comfortable in the operating room, as did the many, many nurses and assistants and housekeeping staff during my stay. One employee from housekeeping even left me a little smiley face on her card,

Then there were the telephone operators who took calls from my anxious family and friends, and the volunteer greeters who showed

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them the way. Let's not forget the volunteer gift shop ladies who sold family and friends gifts and cards I will treasure forever.

All these employees and volunteers had three outstanding personal qualities in common: their beautiful smiles, the way they showed their concern, and their commitment.

Again, I want to say how proud I am of our hospital and staff.

> Rose Mary Nelson Grayling

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Photographs must be turned in to the office by noon on Friday for consideration in the next issue.

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## **Experience Wellington by lantern light**

Wellington Farm Park, on Military Road between Four and Five Mile Roads, will be offering "Farm by Lantern Light" tours, Friday and Saturday, December 13 and 14 beginning at 6:30 p.m each evening. Departures from the Visitors Center will occur every 15 minutes. Cost is \$5 per person and reservations are highly encouraged by calling toll-free 1-888-OLD-FARM or visit the park's web site at www.wellingtonfarmpark.org.

# **Christmas Special this Thursday night**

Tickets are now on sale for "A Main Street Christmas," this year's Christmas Special, presented by the Crawford AuSable Community Cultural Events, at the Rialto Theatre on December 5 at 7:30 p.m. This year's performance features the Michigan Opera Theater Singers, the Children's Ensemble, the GHS Jazz Band and magician illusionist Rick Carver. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for students and senior citizens, and a Family Pack of tickets (up to five family members) is available for \$25. Doors open at 6:45 p.m., show starts promptly at 7:30 p.m. Call 348-7146 to order tickets or for more information. "A Main Street Christmas," is brought to Crawford County as a result of a generous partnership of local businesses, corporations and individuals, and by a grant from the Michigan Council for the Arts and Cultural Affairs.

#### Special kids' matinees at offered

Two daytime showings of the movie "Shrek" will be offered this Saturday, December 7, at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., at the Rialto Theatre in Grayling, sponsored by the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce, Grayling Uptown District Association, and the Rialto Theatre. Admission is a donation of a non-perishable food item or a new unwrapped toy for distribution by the Crawford County Community Christian Help Center and for the local Toys for Tots drive.

## **COA Senior Center plans Open House**

The Crawford County Commission on Aging (COA) will be holding an Open House at the Senior Citizen Center, on Lawndale in Grayling, on Friday, December 13, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Everyone is welcome to come and see what the Center has to offer and to meet the staff.

## Eagles Auxiliary meeting date changed

The December 5 meeting of the Grayling Eagles Auxiliary #3465 has been changed to Wednesday, December 4 at 7 p.m.

### Legion Auxiliary plans holiday potluck

The regular monthly meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary will be held Wednesday, December 11 at 6 p.m. The meeting includes the annual Christmas party. Bring a wrapped gift valued at \$5 and a dish to pass for the potluck dinner. For more information, call Linda Munsey at 348-5911.

#### **Besser offers Holiday Gift Boutique**

Jesse Besser Museum's Holiday Gift Boutique offers an opportunity to buy unique, arts, and crafts for holiday gift-giving. Pottery, prints and photography, paintings, designer/costume and fine jewelry, quiltwork, feltwork, hand-loomed items, children's items, dolls, custom tiles, woodcarvings, fleece jackets and more. This is a fund-raiser for the museum. The boutique is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, and Sundays from 12 noon to 4 p.m., with special Thursday evening hours in December until 7 p.m. The Jesse Besser Museum is located on Johnson Street in Alpena. For more information, call (989) 356-2202.

#### Sheriff to attend South Branch meeting

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield will attend the South Branch Township meeting scheduled for Tuesday, December 10 at 7 p.m. Anyone with questions or comments should feel free to attend this meeting. The Sheriff will be there throughout the meeting and, if necessary, remain afterwards for additional questions or comments.

### 'Beachfront' Christmas concert at KCC

A Beachfront Christmas concert will be held at the Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts on Saturday, December 14, at 8 p.m. The group sounds like "Manhattan Transfer" meets "Take 6," will perform a variety of vocal music from classics to a set of Christmas selections. The concert will also include a mixture of rock and roll hits from entertainers like the Beach Boys and Elvis Presley and a few cartoon themes. For ticket reservations call the Kirtland Ticket Office at (989) 275-6777.

Events and activities scheduled to Crawford County Library, 201 Plum take place at the Devereaux Street in Grayling, phone (989)

Memorial Crawford County Library 348-9214. in the near future are: • Thursday, December 5 - at 10:30 a.m. Story Hour; at 3:30 p.m. Last

of the Christmas Crafts/Ornaments programs; at 6 p.m. Kirtland Community College's (KCC) Home First Aid class - one night only.

• Tuesday, December 10 at 12 noon Medicare and Medicaid issued to be covered in the Educated Investor Series; at 6 p.m. KCC's Wildlife Identification and Tracking

class. • Wednesday, December 11 at 3:30 p.m. Library Board Meeting, the public is always invited.

• Thursday, December 12 at 10:30 a.m. Story Hour.

• Saturday, December 14 at 10:30 a.m. will be a special Story Time with Santa. Parents, grandparents and guardians should feel free to bring your children and your cameras for this special holiday event.

• Tuesday, December 17, at 7 p.m. Rules of the Road will be presented in the Educated Investor Series.

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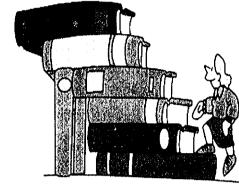
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# Tots tour Camp AuSable



Earlier this year the children enrolled at the N.E.M.C.S.A. Grayling Homebase Head Start toured Camp AuSable where they fed horses, rode a haywagon, took a hike which took them across a swaying bridge and explored the nature museum. Dakota holds an apple for the horse, while Cheyenne looks on in fascination.

# Program to distribute free books comes just in time for holidays



# Residents of both Crawford and Roscommon

Counties welcome

Reading Program invites not only the residents of Beaver Creek Township, but also residents living within Crawford and Roscommon Counties, to participate in this year's Christmas distribution of books and other reading material.

"I am excited about not only the wonderful quality, but also the quantity of material we have gathered for your enjoyment," said Program Director Kathy Mobarak. "Many of the items would make excellent gifts for children and adults alike. Most of what we have is new and ours is a totally free program, with small requirements. You

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Those not familiar with the program are urged to stop by and take a few minutes to see what the Community Reading Program is all about. "Originally I began to service residents of Beaver Creek only," Mobarak said. "Within a few years, we were receiving enough material to allow us to open our doors to the entire Crawford County area. During the last four years, we have expanded to include Roscommon County."

The program's goal is to provide quality reading material to all. The Beaver Creek Community During the mid-60s, the United States ranked as the #1 country in the world in education. More recently, the U.S. ranked 24th. "I personally believe that reading is the first and foremost important step in providing quality education," said Mobarak. "If possible, I would, like to put a book in the hands of every county resident."

Distribution will take place on Saturday, December 7, from 9 a.m. to about 1 p.m., at the Beaver Creek Township Community Center. The Center is located adjacent to the township offices at 8888 South Grayling Road (just north of the fire

Any questions may be directed to Mobarak by leaving a message on her voice mail at 275-8273 and she will respond as quickly as she can.

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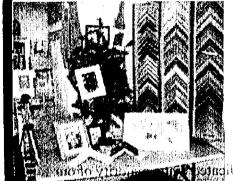
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# The Bible Speaks

# **Muslims Sue Whirlpool**

Muslim workers suing Whirlpool Corp. alleging religious discrimination because they are not permitted to pray while at work. Now they have added new charges of racial discrimination to their lawsuit. They allege Whirlpool supervisors and employees have created and fostered a hostile and humiliating work environment for Muslim, African and Middle Eastern workers. One plaintiff claims a Whirlpool supervisor told her she could "dance" on her break" but that she could not use it as an opportunity to offer mandatory Islamic prayers. The original lawsuit was initiated after one of the employees contacted the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR), a Washington-based Islamic civil rights and advocacy group. The suit seeks an order compelling Whirlpool to provide reasonable accommodation for the plaintiffs religious practices, as well as compensatory and punitive damages for the financial losses and emotional pain and suffering caused by the discrimi-

I worked for Whirlpool Corp. for 10 years before entering the ministry and I believe Muslims are probably trying to blackmail Whirlpool Corp. which is the world's leading manufacturer and marketer of major home appliances. Whirlpool is not a religious organization. Workers should ask what the rules are when applying for a job.

A few months ago I read about Whirlpool should have to pay no one to practice any religion.

They were not pleased with religious activity when I worked for Whirlpool nearly 40 years ago. They paid us full time even during our two 15 minute breaks and half-hour lunch period. We were being paid for all our time on their property. The reason they hired us and paid us was to work, not to worship.

Leasure challenged me at work by saying, "There are people in this plant going to Hell, and you don't have the Pastor "B" guts to preach to them." I was scared, but I preached a sermon during a lunch break in the paint department. As we returned to work I challenged my friend, "Now you who don't have the guts to preach next week." So we took turns preaching each week during lunch breaks. One day there was so much noise from heavy equipment no one could hear us. Jim asked the workers to turn off their equipment so we could preach. A company engineer came over to my friend and said, "Do you realize you just shut down a 6 milfion dollar expansion program." My friend said, "What we have to offer is worth more than any 6 million dol-

Some workers who played cards during lunch breaks complained that our preaching was disturbing them. We reminded the company that gambling was against company rules, and

we had not complained about their gambling. The company would stop us from preaching in one area and we would move to another area. One official told me I should be castrated for a track I had written. Another official screamed and cursed me until I feared he might have a heart attack. It never entered our minds to sue anyone. Whirlpool was a good employer. We both have fond memories of working One day my good friend Jim at Whirlpool and sharing our faith in Jesus Christ. Religion must be spread by love, not force. This is America!

Please pray for God's blessings upon the ministry of this column and Website church http://www.i2k.net/-eba. We Calvary Baptist Church invite you to learn more from the Bible about Jesus Christ. Join us in a verse by verse study of the gospel of John each Sunday.

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# Many make Calvary Baptist honor roll



Calvary Baptist Academy First through fourth grades



Calvary Baptist Academy Fifth through 12th grades

The first quarter honor right) Travis Gabriel, Joey roll for grades five through Saladine, Sean Hernandez,

12 include (front row, left to Michael Barr, Charlie Huffman.

The first quarter honor roll for the first through fourth grades at Calvary Baptist Academy include (front row, left to right) Korneli, Jamie Evan Shirkey, Rachel Rochette. Abby Hatfield, Natalie Deman, Miranda Davis, Hope Ervin. Back row (left to right) Jacob Ervin, Daniel White, Kaitlyn Wallace, Ashley Whitcher, Levi Korneli, Andy Wyman, Crystal Hardy. Not pictured - Keenan Harris.

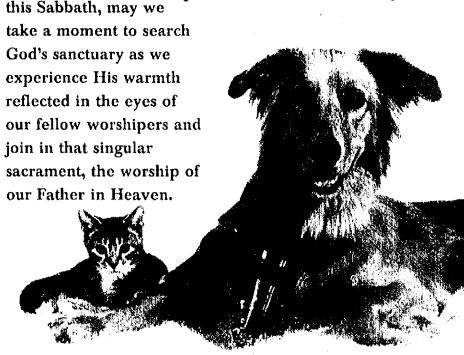
Ervin, Kayla Harris, April Korneli, Erica White. Second row (1 to r) Mitch Hernandez, Jay Wichert, Isaac VanNuck, Rachel Harris, Valerie Huffman, Amber Gabriel, Bonny Murray, Hannah Hoyt. Back row (I to r) Bobbie Sue Davis, Monica Barr, Arlen Murray, Brock Barnett, Zach VanNuck, Amber Corcoran, Joy Roberts.

Not pictured Ryan Ruby Halstead, and

lo, we didn't confuse the title and the photograph, though it may appear so. These furry buddies seem to Tried right at home in each other's company, putting no consideration toward any apparent dissimilarities.

In Isaiah 11:6, we read, "The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion...and a little child shall lead them." Each creature is from the same Source...the Great Originator of all existence. In that sense we are kin. We are one, our hearts keeping time with the rhythm of life itself.

As we sit in the House of our **Almighty Creator** this Sabbath, may we take a moment to search God's sanctuary as we experience His warmth



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Malachi

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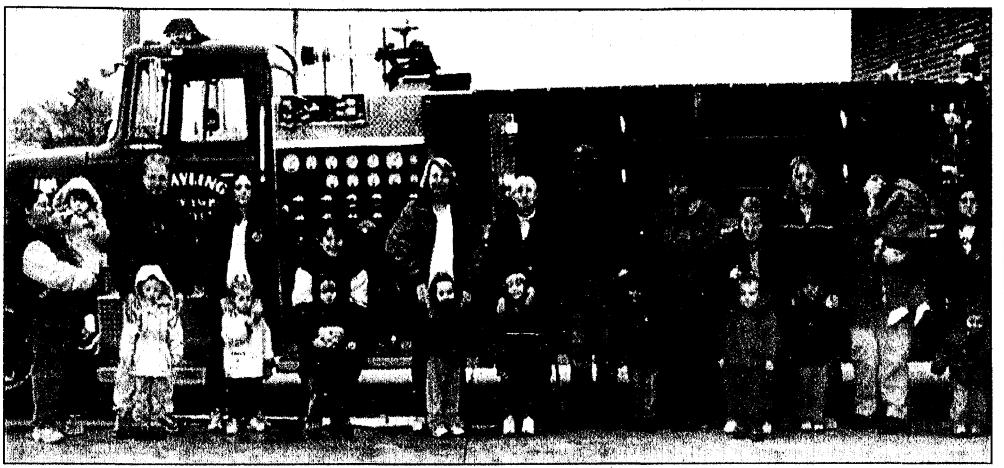
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Left, Leonard

finds the fire

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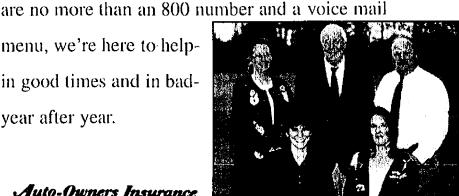
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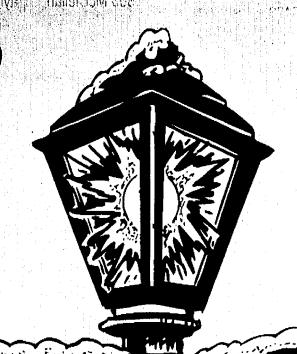
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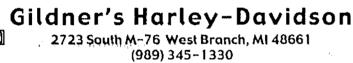




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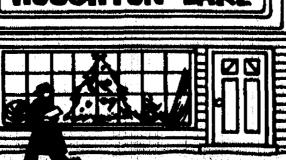
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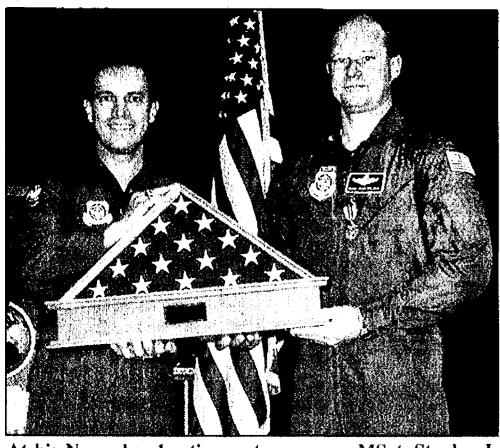












At his November 1 retirement ceremony, MSgt. Stanley J. Wilcox received the customary colors of the nation he served for 25 years.

Master Sergeant Stanley J. Wilcox, a native of Grayling, retired from the United States Air Force on November 1.

Grayling, graduated from Grayling college, he worked full time at Respiratory Care Technician.

joined the U.S. Air Force and completed basic training at Lackland AFB in Texas, where he was an element leader. Next, he went to Sheppard AFB, in the same state, to train in the loadmaster career field. future wife, the former Liberty Air Force. Upon completion of tech—on the C-5 A and B models. school, he received orders to 1st MAPS, Dyess AFB, also in Texas.

cargo planes, working the aerial Container Delivery System, heavy equipment airdrop loads, low alti-numerous awards, commendation

and worked with all aspects of para-

chute deployment.

After one year, Wilcox left for Clark Air Base in the Philippines for Wilcox was born and raised in a four-year term beginning November 1979, where he was High School in 1975, and from assigned to the 374th Combat Kirtland Community College in Mobility Branch and the 21st TAS. 1977 with an Associate Degree in There he was made Assistant Criminal Justice. While attending NCOIC of Mobility and Plans, where he ensured his unit was ready Grayling Mercy Hospital as a to leave at a moment's notice. Wilcox and his unit saw deploy-In February 1978, MSgt. Wilcox ments to Korea, Thailand, the Philippines and the island of Tinnian.

> New orders in December 1983 took MSgt. Wilcox to Dover AFB, Delaware to fly C-5 cargo planes.

Over his career, he amassed over While in tech school he met his 8,500 accident-free flying hours, 960 hours on C-130Es, bionic Es Espejo, who was also serving in the and H models, and over 7,500 hours

Wilcox has attended both the NCO Leadership School and NCO While at Dyess AFB, Wilcox was and NCO Academy. Additionally, attached to the 774th Tactical Airlift he has completed the Senior NCO Squadron and flew on the C-130H Academy course by correspon-

MSgt. Wilcox has received

leaf clusters over the course of 25 years, including the Kuwait Liberation Medals for both Kuwait and Saudi Arabia. He is also a Small Arms Expert Marksman.

MSgt. Wilcox and his wife, Liberty, have been married for 24 years and have four daughters: Shanda, Shaston, Sherrie and Samantha. He said he is looking forward to returning to college and spending time with this family.

MSgt. Wilcox, USAF (Ret.) is the son of John and Beverly Wilcox of Grayling, who attended the retirement ceremony November 1.



Keil Clough

Keil Clough, a 2002 graduate of Grayling High School, has successfully completed Basic Training for the National Guard at Fort Knox, Kentucky.

He enlisted into the 1071st Maintenance Company December 13, 2001 while a high school senior. Clough is currently attending his MOS training as a 63W, wheel vehicle repairman at Aberdeen Proving Grounds in attending the Fighter/Bomber Maryland.

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Clough enlisted for the cash incentive bonus and the GI Bill, along with the 50% state reimbursement program. This program reimburses him 50% of his tuition at any accredited college in the State of Michigan; up to \$2,000 per year.

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2nd Lt. Patrick Louis Lamie

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He received his Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy degree from Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit. Family and friends participated in the commissioning and pinning of his new rank ceremony.

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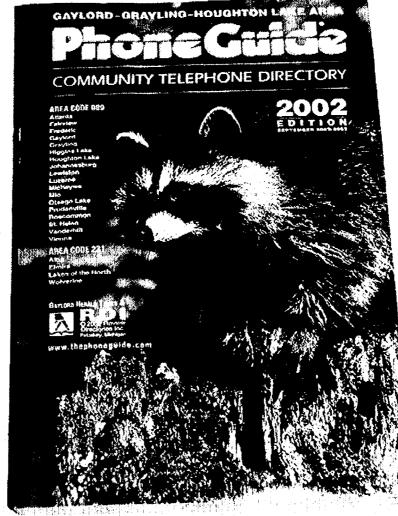
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December:

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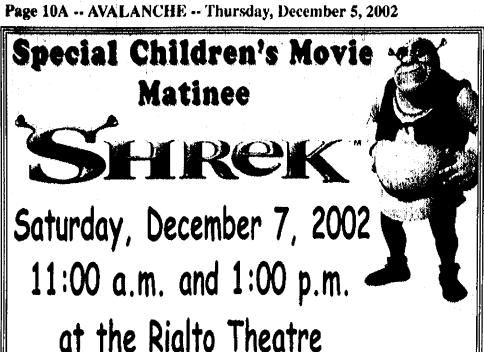
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These donations, along with contributions from 110 other hospitals statewide, resulted in the collection of food and \$592 in cash to area of nearly 278,000 pounds of gro-

curriculum is in response to that sur-

vey. New classes are offered weekly,

and they're presented not only on

Kirtland's main campus but also in

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Branch and Mio, usually in four-

Marble said, "If we get a group of

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#### Michigan. "As health care organizations, it is our responsibility to not only help

go to hungry residents across

the patients who seek care in our facilities, but also to enhance the health of those who are less fortunaté in our communities," said NCC Executive Director Elizabeth Gertz. "During this economic downturn, it is especially important for health care organizations and other Michigan citizens to help our community members in need."

All 11 northern Michigan hospitals are members of the NCC, including Mercy Hospital Grayling, Otsego Memorial Hospital and Kalkaska Memorial Hospital.

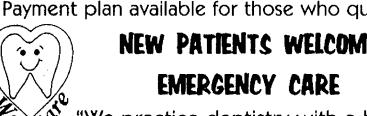
The Michigan Harvest Gathering is a statewide program that provides food and assistance to local residents in need. For the last 12 years, the Michigan Harvest Gathering has assisted the Food Bank Council of Michigan and its 12 member regional food banks in providing for the state's hungry residents. The Michigan Health & Hospita Association has served as the primary sponsor for the last five years.

The food gathered by hospital staff members and volunteers will be given to the less fortunate through regional food banks and various charities. Collected in Grayling was 980 pounds of food, in Kalkaska 6,243 pounds of food and ir Gaylord (Otsego) 704 pounds of

A 2001 report published by the national food bank network America's Second Harvest, indicates nearly 44 percent of those who benefit from these types of efforts are under the age of 18 Approximately 40 percent of the Michigan homes that receive aic from food banks have at least one family member who is employed and more than 30 percent include a least one person who is in poor

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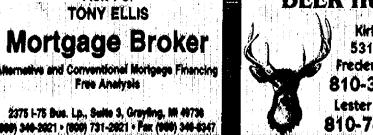


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The rapid obsolescence of computers and other electronic equipment, coupled with the critical need to protect the environment and the community from the hazards of improper disposal of these materials, has fostered a brand new indus-

Zack and Jacob established Great Lakes Electronic Recycling to deal with this new waste problem. "We were both very familiar with the mechanics of these computers and the many potential environmental problems that these materials could cause," said Zack, president of the company located in Detroit.

The three-year old company which serves a wide spectrum of business, industry and government, is dedicated to a broad program of asset management, recycling, refurbishing, recovery, and in some cases, the destruction of all types of electronic equipment. Certification of destruction, data deletion, and recycling/reuse is a key factor in the implementation of this process and



Nathan Zack and Tom Jacob started an electronics recycling business which has prevented over 7 million pounds of electronics containing lead, mercury, and other heavy metal poisons from ending up in landfills in the last three years.

is provided for their clientele.

remarketable equipment and, in other cases, we will charge for the removal and recycling of obsolete equipment," said Jacob who is vice president of the company.

types of electronic equipment con-"Our company will pay for newer, taining circuit boards, cathode ray tubes, ferrous and nonferrous metals from businesses and governmental

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# Traffic sensor should ease congestion

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"This is an enhancement of our pavement loop system that routinely detects vehicles and tells the signal computer that someone's waiting in line," said Bonnie Bussard, manager of MDOT's Transportation Service Center in Grayling.

"The neat thing about employing—and is in need of repair." this particular technology is it will

The Michigan Department of allow the motorist to be detected tems, we have to tear up the road more efficiently."

> A similar device was recently tested in the Traverse City area, according to Rise Rasch, manager of MDOT's Transportation Service - the way of traffic." Center in Traverse City.

These camera-like vehicle detection systems are proven effective in all weather and light conditions. They also eliminate potential inconvenience that can occur when a pavement loop system malfunctions

"With the pavement loop sys-

sometimes to repair them," Bussard said. "With this technology, it's easier to maintain the system since it is located on top of a pole out of

This new vehicle-detection system will not be used as law enforcement mechanism. The technology is not calibrated to view individual license plates or faces.

MDOT plans to install another system in Gaylord, west of I-75 at

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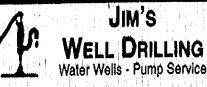
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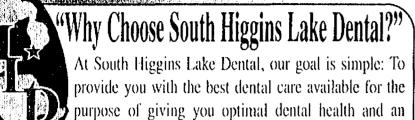
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# Volunteers make a difference at River House Shelter

This year marked the fifth annual "Make a Difference Day" event for River House Shelter and Domestic Crisis Services. Each year, a group of volunteers from around our fourcounty service area have worked together to give the shelter a facelift.

National and state efforts for this day have been outstanding. Last year over two million volunteers participated in projects throughout the United States on Make a Difference Day, benefiting an esti-

Michigan boasted nearly 85,000 volunteers participating in over 600 projects in 80 counties in 2000.

mated 22 million people.

River House volunteers joined forces with this exceptional group of At the shelter on October 25, staff

and volunteers organized and cleaned, and gave the shelter a new look. The volunteers helped River House to begin preparing for moving to the new shelter which is currently under construction.

Individuals came to work at the shelter, Northland Area Credit Union in Grayling held a "shower" to gather donations for the residents of River House. Subway of Grayling donated sandwiches for the hungry volunteers, Glen's Market of Grayling donated chips and pop, and the Grayling Holiday Inn allowed the residents and their children to use the pool and facilities, while work was taking place at the shelter.

As the day came to a close, every- days a week.

Volunteers came in many forms. one felt that they had accomplished a great deal, and left with the feeling of satisfaction that comes from knowing they had made a difference in the lives of the people who use the services of River House Shelter.

River House Shelter and Domestic Crisis Services is a United Way Agency serving Crawford, Roscommon, Oscoda and Ogemaw Counties. The Crisis/Support Line can be reached toll-free at 1-888-554-3169, 24 hours a day, seven

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The seminar will be offered at 12 noon, Tuesday, December 10 at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library at 201 Plum Street in Grayling.

"By understanding Medicare and Medicaid, you can better understand what to expect from their coverage

and help prevent any potentially difficult financial situations," Loll said. Loll will focus on how to prepare

financially for health care. This seminar is free, but space is limited. To make a reservation, call Loll at 348-6964 or stop by the office located at 307 Huron Street (M-72 East), Suite I in Grayling.

# Rehab therapist now trained in lymphatic drainage therapy

Diana Collins, PT, LMT, of Higgins Lake, recently participated in the Lymph Drainage Therapy's Lymphedema/CDP Certification Program in Dallas, Texas.

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Merle B. Carlson Sept. 13, 1925 - Dec. 1, 2002

Merle B. Carlson, age 77, of Grayling, died Sunday, December 1. She was born on September 13, 1925 in Chicago, Illinois to Henry and Cora Meech.

Mrs. Carlson graduated from Battle Creek Central High School in 1942 and worked for Fort Custer during World War II before her marriage to Arthur V. Carlson on November 15, 1946. The family moved to Grayling in 1953.

She retired from the Crawford-AuSable Schools in 1995 where she was employed in the food services program at the Middle School. She was a member of the Grayling Lioness Club and attended the Grayling Heritage Baptist Church. Mrs. Carlson loved to read and to travel; Hawaii being her favorite destination with her husband, but her greatest joy was her family of whom she was immensely proud. She delighted in holidays, birthdays, and band performances of her grand children and grandnephews. At a wonderful family get together on Labor Day weekend she said, "this is one of my cup runneth over days." It was one of ours, too, Mom, and though we know you are in a better place with others that you love so dearly, we will always miss you.

Mrs. Carlson was preceded in death by an infant son, Wendel, daughter, Cindi; granddaughter, Katie Graham; sister, Burnis Meech and son-in-law, Roderick A.

She is survived by her husband of 56 years, Arthur; two daughters, Julie Powers-Gehman (Dale) of Gaylord; Christine Olson (Tom) of Lawton; one son, Richard of Grayling; son-in-law Robert Graham of Paw Paw and Fort Myers, FL; one sister, Amber Meech; special niece Cory Dean (Bill) of Grayling, four grandchildren, Jennifer Nondorf (John). Angela Nondorf (Tom), Brad Olson and Stephen Olson; three great grandchildren, Daniel, Christine and Noah Nondorf; four grandnephews, Zachary, Spencer, Griffin and Wesley Dean.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, December 5 at 11 a.m. at the Grayling Heritage Baptist Church. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, December 4 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 8

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

#### Jane Ann Barr

Jan. 22, 1940 - Nov. 13, 2002 Jane Ann Barr, formerly of Grayling, passed away November 13. She was born January 22, 1940 in Mt. Pleasant.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Terrence and three daughters, Cindy Ann, Terri Lorrice and Lisa Marie.

She is survived by one son, Michael and Pamela (Weaver) Barr, one daughter, Debra (Barr) Beck, and five grandchildren, Monica and Michael Barr, and Bethany, Jaimi and Kaili Beck.

#### Kimberely J. **Bonnington-Kouri**

Died November 28, 2002 Kimberely J. Bonnington-Kouri, age 42, of Macomb Township died November 28, 2002.

Mrs. Bonnington-Kouri was a member of the American Marketing Association.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Shirley Bonnington.

She is survived by her husband, Douglas; her father, James Bonnington; four sisters, Heather (Bob) Hutton, JoEllen Ventline, Patricia (David) Grandy, and Laurie (Tom) Watson; two brothers, Craig (Pat) Bonnington and Brent Bonnington. She is also survived by 22 nieces and nephews.

A memorial service was held on December 1 at Wujek-Calcaterra & Sons, Inc., in Sterling Heights.

You may share memories with the family at their "On-Line Guest Book" at Wujekcalcaterra.com.

Memorials may be made to the Make-A-Wish Foundation or A.I.C.R.

by Wujek-Arrangements Calcaterra & Sons, Inc., Sterling Heights.

#### Robert Bernard Brannan May 24, 1930 - Nov. 30, 2002

Robert Bernard Brannan, age 72, of Gainesville, Florida died at his home on November 30 after a long illness.

Mr. Brannan retired from Bear Archery after 31 years of service. His hobbies included woodworking, candy making and gardening. His greatest interest was a close and loving relationship with his family.

Mr. Brannan was a long time member of the First Assembly of God Church of Gainesville, FL and Rapid City. He spent many hours working with the Royal Rangers programs at the churches and as a member of the church boards. He also was a long time board member of the Women's Resource Center of Gainesville, until his health would no longer allow him to continue his

He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Shirley; three sons, Daniel of Traverse City, David (Carol) of Grayling and Darrell (Suzanne) of Micanopy, FL; two daughters, Bethany (Dennis) McLimans of Sumter, SC and Susan Granade of Gainesville, FL; 12 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his brother Richard (Connie) of Hemet, CA and two sisters, Norma (Cid) Abraham of Burton, MI and Shirley Smith of Spencer, IN.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, December 5 at Wolfe Funeral Home at 1 p.m. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service. Interment at Lodi Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests remembrances be directed to the Royal Rangers program c/o First Assembly of God Church, 2925 Northwest 39th Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32605 (attn: Royal Rangers) or the Women's Resource Center, P.O. Box 357625, Gainesville, FL 32635.

Arrangements by Wolfe Funeral Home of Kalkaska.

#### **Timothy Jay Perry**

Feb. 20, 1942 - Nov. 28, 2002 Timothy Jay Perry, age 60, of Morgantown, Indiana, formerly of Grayling, died November 28 at his home.

Mr. Perry was a paint chemist for one year at Akzo-Nobel Paint Company International, of Sayre, Pennsylvania. Previously he was a paint chemist for 10 years for Valspar, in Marshall, Texas.

Timothy was a 1960 graduate of Grayling High School and served

as a peace time Navy Veteran. He was preceded in death by his parents Lloyd James Perry and Irene Elizabeth Fennell Perry Larush; stepfather, William C. Larush, brother James L. Perry and sister Donna Niederer.

He is survived by his wife Nancy Hubbell Perry Morgantown, IN; two daughters, Kelly I. Dodson of Morgantown, IN and Angela M. Towse of New Palestine, IN.

Memorial contributions may be made to Morgan County Humane Society.

Arrangements by Carlisle & Son Funeral Chapel, of Mooresville, Indiana.

#### Dan Arthur Schrock Feb. 20, 1943 - Nov. 18, 2002

Dan Arthur Schrock, age 59, of Harbor Springs, died November 18 at his home. He was born on February 20, 1943 in Flint, to Kenneth A. and Alleen L. (Purdy) Schrock.

Mr. Schrock married the former Loretta Miller on August 1, 1975, and the couple made their home in Grayling, Atlanta and Harbor Springs.

He attended school at Durant, Longfellow and Flint Central High School. He graduated from Michigan State University with a degree in law enforcement and also in education. While at Michigan State University, he was a member and an honor graduate of the ROTC. Dan was member of the Michigan National Guard and served five years on active duty and 18 years on reserve and had attained the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. As a pilot in Vietnam he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Mr. Schrock was employed by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources as a firefighter and was a former member of the Grayling City and Township Fire Department. He also was an EMT for Crawford County. Recently he was a member of the Harbor Springs Area Fire Department, retiring due to his illness.

He attended the United Methodist Church in Harbor Springs. His favorite activities were wood carving and talking about fires with other firefighters.

He is survived by his wife, his mother, five daughters and one

A memorial reception will take place on Thursday, December 5 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Evergreen room at the Grayling Holiday Inn.

Memorials may be sent to the Grayling City and Township Fire Department.

Arrangements by Schiller Funeral Home, Harbor Springs.

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Lyle E. Johnson

Nov. 28, 1921 - Nov. 28, 2002

Lyle E. Johnson, age 81, of Thursday, Grayling, died November 28 at Grand Rapids Home For Veterans in Grand Rapids. He was born on November 28, 1921 in Mio.

Mr. Johnson married the former Helen May Newell on October 14, 1944 in Detroit.

He lived in Grayling most of his life. Lyle retired from Bear Archery, where he was employed as a shipping clerk.

Lyle was a member of Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, the American Legion Post #106 in Grayling. He served his country in World War II in the U.S. Army.

He was preceded in death by his parents Clair Foster and Elsie Anna (Markby) Johnson four sisters, four brothers and his son Gary.

He is survived by his wife Helen; three daughters, Beverly (Bernard) Leighton of Flint, Marjorie Kehr of Alvin, TX and Kathryn Stephenson of Grayling; five grandchildren, Barry (Michelle) Leighton of Virginia, Bethany Leighton of Flint, Michelle Stephenson of Grayling, Shane Stephenson of Grayling and Megan Kehr of Alvin,

Funeral services were held on December 2 at Sorenson Funeral Home, Reverend Jeffery Jaggers officiated. Burial was at Elmwood

Cemetery. Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel,

#### Leonard Winarski Died November 27, 2002

Leonard Winarski, age 80, of Luzerne died November 27, 2002 at Mercy Hospital.

Services were held at St. Mary's Catholic Church, of Mio on November 30. Burial was at Luzerne Cemetery.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

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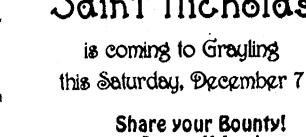
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In everything that I am and everything that I do, I think of you.

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# Saint Nicholas



Page 13A -- AVALANCHE -- Thursday, December 5, 2002

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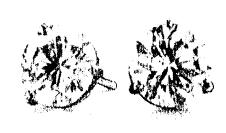
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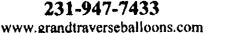
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# Snowshoe building workshops offered

It's time to start planning for winter and looking for activities to participate in to fight cabin fever.

Along this line, Hartwick Pines State Park will again be hosting snowshoe building workshops this winter at the Michigan Forest Visitor Center. One-day workshops will be offered on Saturday, January 11 and 25. These will be all day workshops, running from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day.

The January 11 workshop will feature the building of "Bearpaw" snowshoes, while the January 25 workshop will have participants construct the "Cross Country Driftbuster" style of of shoe. The country ski trail loops of three, five

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size of each class is limited to 12 students, so advance reservations are required. There is a non-refundable \$20 reservation fee required. The cost of the workshop is \$120, due on the day of class.

During the workshop, participants will learn how snowshoes are built, assemble their shoes by lacing the pre-made frame, and learn about the use and history of the snowshoe in North America. Hot beverages will be provided.

The Michigan Forest Visitor Center will be open on Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. during the winter season. Cross

and 7.5 miles are groomed when the weather permits, and start from the visitor center parking lot. Snowshoeing is permitted throughout the park, except on the groomed ski trails.

A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into Hartwick Pines State Park. The fee is \$4 for a daily permit and \$20 for an annual permit.

For more information on the workshop, or to have information mailed, call Chris Kline at (989) 344-1343. For other park information the Michigan Forest Visitor Center at (989) 348-2537.

# Local company retains jail food service contract

Cost per meal to increase by only five cents, contract now for two years

by Cheryll Ruley Staff Writer

Upon recommendation by Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield, the County Board of a Commissioners has agreed to retain jail food services from a Grayling area company.

A new contract was awarded to 11 M.T. Kitchens, owned and operated by Dennis and Marilyn Palmer. The Palmers submitted a plan, raising the cost of meals to \$2.75 each, ... just five cents over the previous contract. One other bid was , received, but contained no plan to compare with M.T. Kitchens' proposal.

The Commissioners approved a request from the Sheriff to allow ... for a two-year renewable contract, instead of revisiting the issue again of

in 2003. "M.T. Kitchens is doing a fine job, and have been for quite some time," Wakefield said. "Other than a few minor adjustments to the menu, the company will continue to provide the same quality services to the jail."

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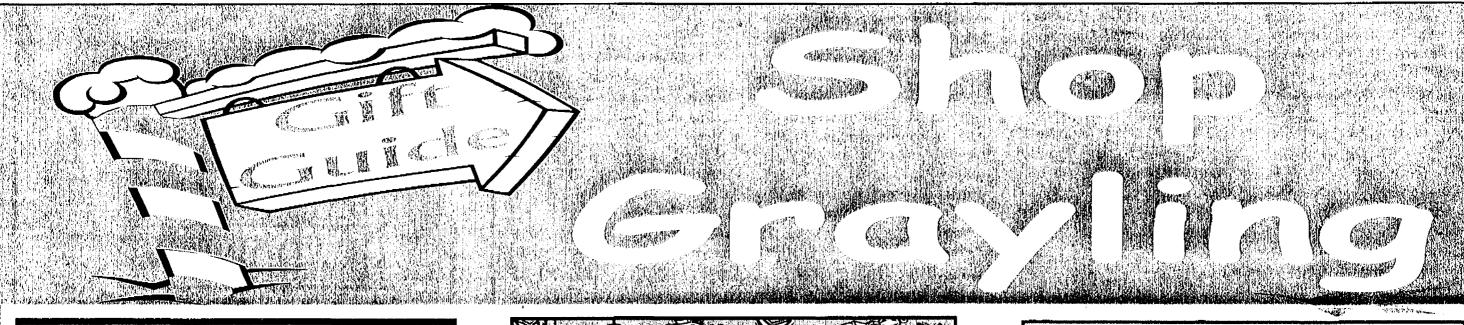
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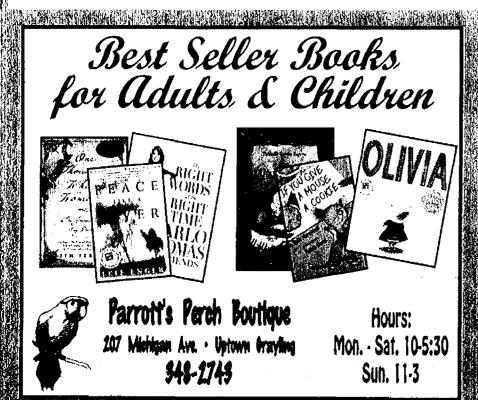
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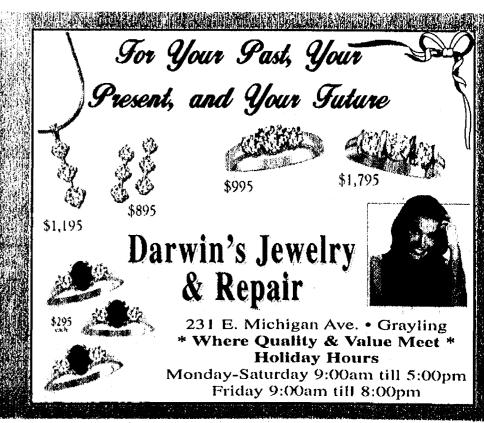


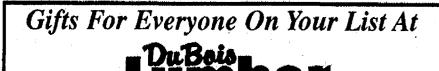












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# Stay safe when decorating your home this holiday season

Frost on the windows, the smell of cinnamon and roasting chestnuts, a roaring fire, Christmas stocking overflowing with gifts and a favorite holiday song are just a few pleasant reminders of the upcoming holiday season. In the excitement of the season--decorating, shopping, baking and parties--it may be easy to become overwhelmed and stretched for time. It's important to remember that while the holidays are a time to celebrate, it also is a time to ensure that you and your family stay safe from injury or fire in your home.

According to the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), each year hospital rooms treat about 10,800 people for injuries, such as falls, cuts and shocks, related to holiday lights, decorations and Christmas trees. In addition, Christmas trees are involved in about 400 fires annually resulting in 20 deaths, 70 injuries and an average of more than \$15 million in property loss and damage. Here are a few helpful hints for keeping safe while decorating and celebrating this year.

decorating a Christmas tree.

If you are buying a natural tree, pay close attention to how fresh it is. Older trees are far more likely to catch fire and have the added nuisance of shedding needles quickly. If you have concerns about displaying a natural tree in your home, consider an artificial tree, which is typ-

ically more fire resistant and will last many years. If you do go with a natural tree, here are a few rules safety points to consider.

- Keep your tree in a full container of water and check it daily.
- Use a wide-based stand and make sure the tree is secure.
- Cover the base with a tree skirt or blanket.
- Display the tree away from heat sources such as fireplaces, radiators or heating vents.
- Trim the lower branches to avoid eye injuries to small children.
- If you have children at home, make sure tree lights are hung out of their reach. Forgo breakable and glass ornaments, and avoid ornaments with small, detachable parts or metal hooks on the lower branches of the tree.
- Dispose of the tree quickly after the holidays. Old, dry, brittle trees are a fire hazard.

Adorning your home with holiday

One beautiful tradition of the holiday season is to decorate your home or Christmas tree using Take care while choosing and strings of lights. Each year there appears to be a greater variety of lighting available, giving away to more opportunities to creatively light up your home during the season. Here are basic safety points for decorating your home with holiday

• Decorate a tree using only Underwriters Laboratories (UL) approved lights and cords.

- Inspect the light for exposed of frayed wires, loose connections, broken bulbs or broken sockets before using them for decoration.
- · Secure electrical cords so that children cannot pull them over. Cover electrical sockets when not in
- Turn off tree lights when you turn in for the night or leave the
- Use no more than three strings of lights on one extension cord, and never run an electrical cord under a carpet. Too many strings of lights in one socket could cause a short in the circuit and result in a fire.
- Do not install lights on artificial trees that have needles, leaves or branch coverings made of metal or materials that resemble metal.
- Unplug lights before replacing damaged or broken bulbs and fuses. And, when replacing bulbs, make sure the sockets are free of foreign materials.

Use caution when decorating with

Traditionally, Hanukkah and Kwanzaa celebrations involve lighting candles. And, many families use candles as holiday decorations throughout the season. While beautiful and meaningful traditions, it's important to keep a few things in mind when lighting candles in your

• Keep burning candles, matches and lighters out of the reach of chil-

• Teach children not to touch burning candles.

- Do not place candles near draperies or anything that might easily catch fire.
- Make sure you extinguish all candles before going to bed or leaving the house.
- Be sure that smoke detectors are installed and working properly on every floor of your home. Test smoke alarms monthly and change the batteries at least once a year.

For more information on safe hol-

iday decorating, contact the Consumer Product Safety Commission (www.cpsc.gov) or the National Safe Kids Campaign (www.safekids.org). Following just a few simple safety precautions this holiday season can give you and your family some peace of mind during the hectic weeks leading up to the holidays and may prevent fire or injury in your home. Home builders across the country wish you and your family a joyful and safe holiday season.

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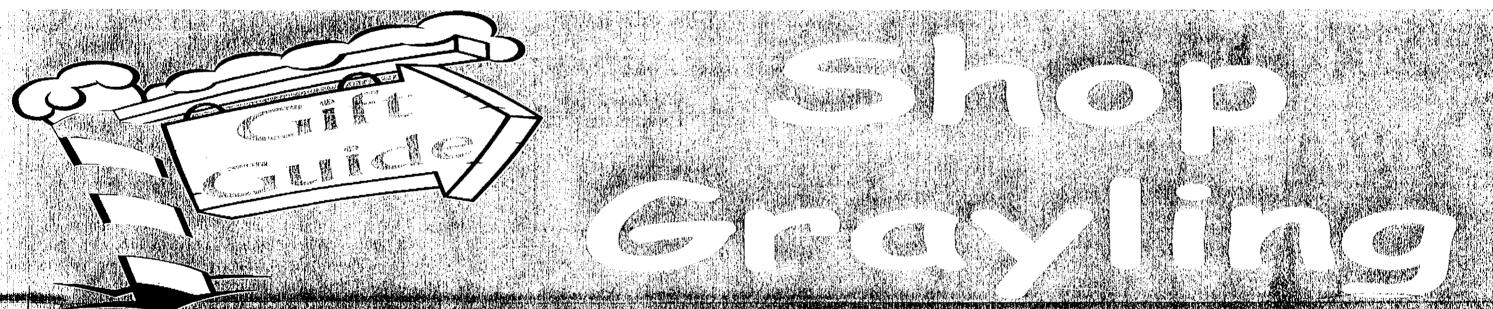
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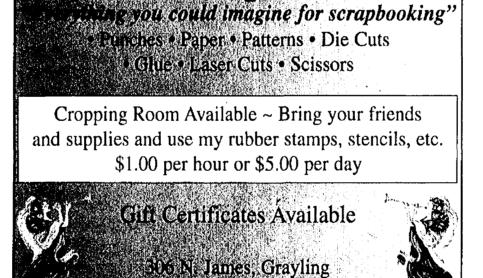


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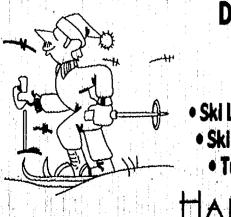
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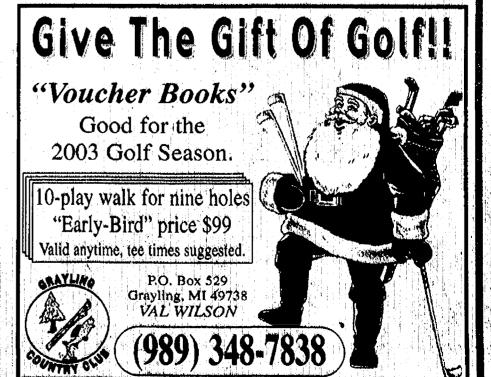
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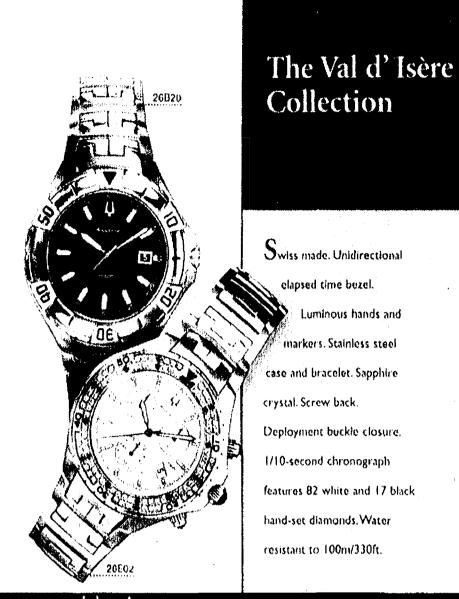
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#### Hon. Alton T. Davis

Jason Michael Winowiecki of Gaylord - Probation violation: 90 days in jail.

James Leonard Wilson of Grayling - Probation violation; 30 days in jail, discharged from probation without improvement.

Luigi Laise of Sterling Heights -Count 1: Weapons dangerous/miscellaneous, Count 2: Weaponsfirearms possession; 150 days in jail, ordered to pay \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund, \$1,000 fine, \$300 court costs, 24 months probation.

George Joseph Peek of Sault Ste. Marie - OUIL 3rd; 25 to 60 months with Michigan Department of Corrections; ordered to pay \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund.

Andrew James Muma of Grayling - Fleeing police officer, 3rd; 330 days in jail; ordered to pay \$300 court costs, \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund, \$350 attorney fees, \$60 DNA assessment fee, 24 months probation.

Douglas C. Hastings, a state prisoner - Attempt Breaking and Entering Building with intent; 35 to Department of Corrections and ordered to pay \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund.

Brian Paul Sparks of Ithaca -Probation violation; 30 to 60 months with the Michigan Department of Corrections.

Unlawful use of motor vehicle; 180 days in fail, ordered to pay \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund, \$300 court costs, \$60 DNA assessment

fee, 18 months probation.

Christopher Lloyd Marek, a state prisoner - Break and enter with intent; 23 to 120 months with the Michigan Department Corrections (consecutive sentence currently serving), ordered to pay \$2,295 restitution, \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund, and \$60 DNA assessment fee.

Mark Allen Gardiner of Roscommon - Count 2: Assault weapon, Count 4: Assault - harm less than murder; 365 days in jail, ordered to pay \$300 court costs, \$1,000 fine, \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund, \$350 attorney fees, \$60 DNA assessment fee, 36 months probation.

Matthew Robert Boardman of Grayling - Count 2: Possession of marijuana, Count 3: OUIL; 60 days in jail (14 days immediately, remainder held in abeyance), ordered to pay \$450 fine, \$300 court costs, \$50 to the Crime Victims' Fund, \$150 forensic lab fee, \$60 DNA assessment fee, 12 months probation.

Dean James Walsh of Frederic -60 months with the Michigan OUIL, 3rd; 365 days in jail, ordered to pay \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund, \$300 court costs, \$60 DNA assessment fee, \$500 fine, \$350 attorney fees, and placed on 24 months probation. Driver's license revoked.

Daniel L. Latesky, Jr. of Grayling Stephen Lee Sasser of Jackson - - Credit card possession (illegal use); 41 days in jail, ordered to pay \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund, \$300 court costs, \$60 DNA assessment fee, \$13,018 restitution, 24

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Karl Leonard Isenhauer of Frederic - OUIL 3rd; 330 days in jail, ordered to pay \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund, \$300 court costs, \$60 DNA assessment fee, \$500 fine, \$350 attorney fees, 24 months probation, ordered to serve 60 days community service.

#### Hon. Dennis F. Murphy

Melissa Oleta Lantz of Gaylord -Probation violation; 40 days in jail and reinstated on probation.

Roger Dale Byars of Grayling -Fleeing police officer, 4th; 365 days in jail and ordered to pay \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund.

Thomas Charles -Fall of Roscommon - Probation violation; -90 days in jail.

Franz Richard Prelop of Grayling - Domestic violence; 93 days in jail (30 days forthwith, remainder held in abeyance), ordered to pay \$300 Victims' Fund.

Peter John Pietrangelo of Lansing - Failure to use due care; ordered to pay \$269.12 restitution, \$50 to the Crime Victims' Fund, \$650 court costs, \$250 fine, 12 months proba-

Grayling - Probation violation; ordered to pay additional \$150 court

Scott Oliver Noffsinger of Prudenville - No account check; 30 days in jail (held in abeyance), \$60 to the Crime Victim's Fund, \$60 DNA assessment fee, \$300 court costs, \$350 attorney fees, 18 months probation.

Troy Damon Dowland of 18 months probation.

Frederic - Probation violation; 365 days in jail, ordered to pay additional \$150 court costs, probation continued.

Robert James Kage Roscommon - Probation violation; reinstated on probation.

Tami Elizabeth Owen of Roscommon - Assault police officer; 18 days in jail, ordered to pay \$50 to the Crime Victims' Fund, \$60 DNA assessment fee, \$300 court costs, \$350 attorney fees, 12 months probation.

#### Hon. John G. Hunter

Patrick James Fisher of Grayling - Controlled substance, 2nd offense - Double penalty; 90 days in jail, ordered to pay \$100 fine, \$300 court costs, \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund, \$350 attorney fees, \$150 forensic lab fee.

Amy Marie Hart of Roscommon -Controlled substance, 2nd offense court costs, \$50 to the Crime Double penalty; 90 days in jail (10 days forthwith, remainder held in abeyance), ordered to pay \$100 fine, \$300 court costs, \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund, \$350 attorney fees, \$150 forensic lab fee, 12 months probation.

Gary William Shepherd of Robert George Brinker, III of Grayling - Armed robbery; 30 to 240 months with the Michigan Department of Corrections, ordered to pay \$471 restitution, \$60 DNA assessment fee, \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund.

Jennie May MacFarlane of ordered to pay \$1,656 restitution, Grayling - Welfare fraud, fail to inform (\$500), ordered to pay \$100 court costs, \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund, \$350 attorney fees, \$60 DNA assessment fee, placed on

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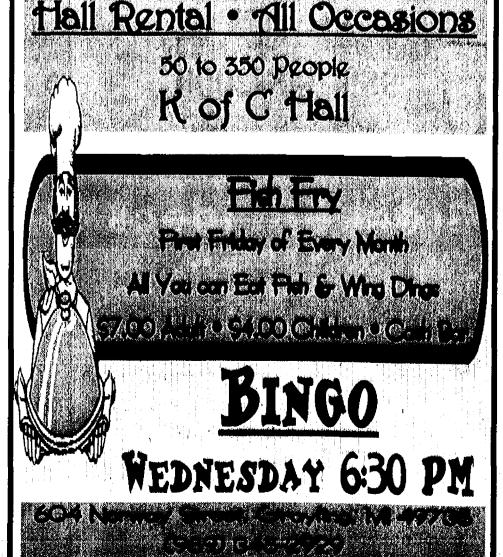
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New scoreboards to be dedicated on December 10 at GHS

Record board to honor Grayling's *all-state athletes* 

Frederic Eagles to be recognized at ceremony on December 20

# Winter sports season starts this week

# Coaching staff full of returners for GHS

# ► Wrestling team kicks off season with a home meet on December 5

by Caleb Casey Staff Writer

The 2002-2003 high school winter sports season begins this week. Teams have been practicing, and most squads will play their season openers next week and the week after.

Grayling High School's winter sports coaching staff is the same this year as it was last year: Rich Moffit, Butch Hayes, and Joe Mau are the varsity, JV, and freshman basketball coaches, respectively; Angie Golnick, Jenny Swander, and Amy Owen are the varsity, JV, and freshman volleyball coaches, respectively; Mike Wieland is the ski team's coach; Don Ferguson is coaching the wrestling team; and Gail Belcher (varsity) and Rebecca Brown (JV) are the two cheerleading coaches.

Grayling High School has had a lot of turnover with coaches in the last few years, and a full staff returning is notable. "Of all the seasons I've been here, this (coaching staff) is the most intact," said Athletic Director Brian Banda. "This is the first time in eight seasons I haven't had to replace a coach."

There are vacancies in the school's spring and fall coaching line-ups, however. Banda is in the process of filling coaching positions for football, boys soccer, and girls basketball for next fall, and track (girls and boys), girls soccer, JV baseball, and JV softball for the spring of 2003.

"We're in this situation year in and year out," Banda said. "We have 19 vacancies right now, that's really unusual."

"The focus right now is girls basketball and football. Getting those in place as soon as possible increases our chances for success," Banda said.

Scott Cousineau, the head football coach, resigned after the 2002 fall season. The head girls basketball coach this year, Tom Ritter, was a temporary appointment replacing the previous coach, who resigned just before the season started. Since it was a temporary appointment, the school had to post the vacancy after the season and accept applications, so there is a possibility Ritter will be back with the program next year, Banda said.

The procedure for filling coaching spots in basketball and football is to hire the head coaches only and allow them the option to select JV and freshman coaches from a list of candidates. Teachers are generally given preference for coaching spots, Banda said, but anyone can apply. (For more information on how to apply for a coaching vacancy, contact Banda at 344-3523.)

The school's winter sports teams hit the courts, mats, and slopes soon.

This week, the wrestling team will kick off the winter sports season with a home meet against Whittemore and Gaylord on Thursday, December 5 at 6 p.m. The team has only two regular season home meets scheduled for the 2002-2003 school year + the December 5th meet and a meet against Bay City John Glenn and Petoskey on

# Winter Sports *Upcoming* **Events**

Thursday, December 5 Wrestling meet (season opener @ GHS), 6 p.m.

Tuesday, December 10 JV/Varsity Boys Basketball game (season opener @ GHS), 6:15 p.m. - Canned food drive (students get in free with two or more cans of food); Dedication of new scoreboards

# # # Wednesday, December 18 Freshman/JV/Varsity Volleyball meet (home opener), 6:15 p.m. @ GHS

Thursday, December 12 at 6 p.m. The boys basketball program gets its game schedule underway on Tuesday, December 10 with JV and varsity home games vs. Oscoda. The JV game starts at 6:15 p.m. and the varsity game will follow. On Friday, December 13, the teams will host Standish Sterling Central at 6:15

At Tuesday's home opener, GHS will be conducting a canned food drive. Students bringing in at least two cans of food will be admitted to the games free. (This admission special applies only to students.)

Also, the December 10 basketball games will include a dedication ceremony for the gymnasium's new scoreboards. (The two new scoreboards, bought with help from the Grayling Youth Booster Club, will replace the existing scoreboards at GHS. The old scoreboards will be moved to the middle school, where only one of the scoreboards is functioning.)

The basketball program will take part in eight tripleheaders this season – all after the holiday break. Tripleheaders feature all three boys basketball teams.

"We've been trying to do more tripleheaders in basketball. We're trying to get accustomed to that," Banda said. "(A tripleheader) serves two purposes: it saves a trip by getting everyone on the same bus, and it frees up the gym for a day, allowing for more practice time."

The basketball program also plans to play one home game at Grayling Middle School this season, but a date has not been set yet. (The program started this tradition two years ago. The GMS building used to house the high school.)

"We look forward to that game," Banda said.

The varsity volleyball team starts its season with a tournament at Roscommon on Saturday, December 14. On Wednesday, December 18 all three volleyball teams will play against Oscoda in Grayling starting at 6:15 p.m. This will be the first game action of the season for the JV and freshman teams.

The ski team doesn't start its meet schedule until January. The team will open its 2003 season with a meet against Roscommon on January 9.



Photo by Caleb Casey

Greg Morrill takes a shot underneath the basket during a recent varsity boys basketball practice. The team plays its first games next week.

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# **Basketball** program to honor Frederic **Eagles**

# ► Ceremony to be held at halftime to recognize former Frederic players

Grayling High School's boys basketball program will honor former Frederic High School Eagles basketball players during halftime of the varsity game at GHS on Friday, December 20.

The "Frederic Eagles Basketball Reunion" will also include a reception in the GHS cafeteria after the game.

Any Frederic Eagles players that wish to participate in the event are asked to RSVP by contacting Dianne at the high school at 344-

# Record board project still in the works

# ► Bricks, pavers honoring all-state athletes are being sold to raise funds

by Caleb Casey Staff Writer

The Grayling High School Athletic Department continues to work on a project that will honor Grayling's all-state athletes through construction of a new record board.

The board, which will be built inside Viking Stadium, will display school records for football, track, and soccer. It will also have personalized bricks on its base honoring all-state athletes in those three sports, plus a walkway leading up to it made of pavers with inscriptions recognizing all-staters from all GHS sports.

The athletic department is still in the process of selling the bricks and pavers. Progress has been slow, said Athletic Director Brian Banda.

The bricks can be purchased for \$25. People purchasing bricks have three lines of text (with 11 characters each) to fill out. The information should include the athlete's name, sport, all-state designation, and year. The bricks are for football, soccer, and track all-state athletes only.

The pavers are 12 inches by 12 inches and they are selling for \$100 each. They also have three lines with 11 characters in each line, and information should include the athlete's name, sport, all-state designation, and year. The paver inscriptions can include all-staters from all GHS

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board up and going," Banda said. While the record board project the Athletic progresses,

"We want to get that record a thorough list of Grayling's allstate selections for football, track, and soccer. If you can provide any names, contact Banda at Department is trying to compile 344-3523.



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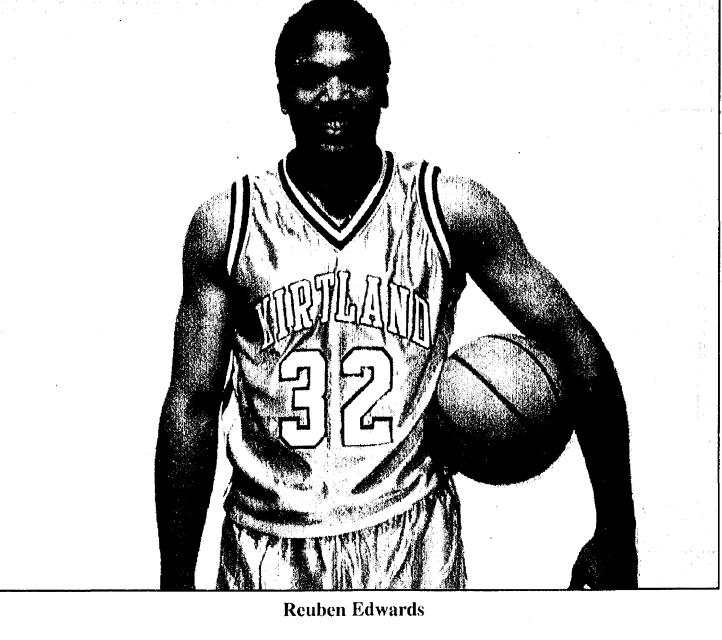
#### **Mens Team**

**ROSCOMMON - Kirtland Coach** Glen Donahue got a glimpse of his team's potential recently, and he loved what he saw. So did a boisterous crowd that rocked the CRAF Center during a late charge that propelled the Firebirds to a thrilling 103-90 victory over a talented Cincinnati State club.

"Our biggest win yet, no question," said Donahue, the Hall of Fame coach in his third season on the Kirtland bench.

The victory was just the second for the Firebirds against a Division I community college team and it improved their record to 3-2.

Two-year colleges across the country are divided into three divisions. Typically, the best of them are in Division I, whose schools, at least in some parts of the country, can offer athletes more in the scholarship package. In Michigan, community colleges can offer only tuition and some help for books. But only Kirtland, Lansing and Schoolcraft chose to compete at the Division I level, which pits them against national powerhouse Vincennes (Ind.) University in the Region XII Until tournament. recently,



Vincennes had won 17 of 23 region-

"They way I figure it, if you want to be the best, you have to beat the best," said Donahue. "This win over a very good Cincinnati State team was a big step in the right direction for us."

It didn't start out that way. Kirtland trailed by eight at the intermission, and for most of the second half. But the Firebirds clawed their way to a 76-76 tie with about six minutes to play.

Suddenly, it looked like men against boys. Led by sophomore Reuben Edwards, the Firebirds went on a 20-5 run that put the game out

of reach. But it wasn't pretty. Emotions ran high on both sides. and it didn't help the visiting Surge when it was called for three technical fouls that not only allowed Kirtland to put points on the board but keep the ball as well.

Edwards finished with 24 points. leading six Kirtland players with double figures. Alvaidas Gedminas had 15 points and eight rebounds. Jeremy Rau had 10 points and 13 rebounds, Eugene Phillips had 15 points, Vaughan Gray had 14, and Terrance Coker had 10 for Kirtland.

Brandon Bender had 20 for Cincinnati State (3-1).

# It's time to come out and meet the team!

Night" for introduction of this season's volleyball, basketball and and cheerleading teams is scheduled for Friday, December 6 at Grayling

High School. The evening begins with a Parent Meeting at 6:30 p.m., followed by a scrimmage between the Freshman and Junior Varsity volleyball teams.

The annual "Meet the Team , leaders and floor routine at 7:57.... p,m.

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Cervidae family. What other animal is not included in this family.

- a. Moose
- b. Elk c. Sheep
- d. Caribou

2. The scientific name of the white-tailed deer is "Odocoileus Virginianus," and was named in 1832. What does "Odocoileus Virginianus" mean?

- a. "Ocean Virgin"
- b. "Odious Vinegar"
- c. "Hollow-tooth Virginia"
- d. "Outdoor Vigorous"
- 3. Modern deer have two toes. How many toes did the deer's ancient ancestors have?
- a. 2
- b. 3 c. 4
- 4. In the wild, deer can live as long as:
- a 7 years
- b. 11 years c. 18 years
- d. 24 years
- 5. When deer run from danger, they flip their tail up and expose the white underside. What evolutionary purpose does this serve?

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a. The white color confuses the predator, since deer are usually brown to grey in color.

b. The tail alerts other deer and provides an object for fawns to follow their mother.

c. The white looks like an eye, much you really know about it's making the predator think the deer is running the other direction.

d. When deer run, blood pressure 1. Deer are a member of the rises causing blood vessels in the tail to inflate.

- 6. Under good conditions, how much food would an average adult deer eat?
- a. 1-3 pounds
- b. 5-9 pounds
- c. 11-15 pounds
- d. 17-21 pounds
- 7. Does will normally have one fawn the first year they breed. After this, how many fawns will they normally have?
- a. One
- b. Twins
- e. Triplets
- d. Quadruplets
- 8. Newborn fawns weigh about 4-6 pounds. How long does it take for them to double their weight?
- a. One week
- b. Two weeks
- c. One month d. Two months
- 9. Deer are very adaptable, and have evolved into a number of subspecies. How many subspecies are
- there in North America? a. 12
- b. 19
- c. 24

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Wales Festivals in England.

white-tailed deer in North America was estimated to be 500,000 animals. What is the estimated popula-

- tion of white-tailed deer today? a. 500,000
- b. 5 million
- c. 20 million
- d. 75 million Multiple Choice Answers

1. c, Sheep.

2. c, "Hollow-tooth Virginia." Odocoileus is the Greek word for "hollow tooth," and the scientist who names the species was working in Virginia.

- 3. d, 5. One toe has been completely lost through evolution, and two toes have moved into unusable dewclaws several inches above the main toes.
- 4. b, 11 years. In captivity deer have been known to live up to 20 years, but very few deer live longer than 10 years in the wild.
- 5. b, The tail flash alerts other deer to danger.
- 6. b, 5-9 pounds.
- 7. b, Twins.
- 8. b, Two weeks.
- 9. d, 30. There are an additional 10 subspecies living in South America.
- 10. c, 20 million.

(Quiz courtesy of Whitetails Unlimited. Whitetails Unlimited is a national non-profit conservation organization. Whitetails Unlimited's mission is to support educational programs, habitat conservation, and preservation of the hunting tradition. Visit its web site at www.whitetailsunlimited.com)

#### **Card of Thanks**

On behalf of Whitetails Unlimited, Paula and I would like to say thanks for all of the business and private donations that were made. To Jerry and his staff at Skyline, you were all wonderful hosts and did an excellent job on the meal, thank you. A special thanks goes out to Jack and his staff at Skip's Sports Shop for handling the shotguns and rifles. Last but not least, thank you to everyone that attended our Buck Fever Night it was a great success and we'll see you next year.

Luke Helsel Coordinator

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# Hanson Hills on schedule to open Saturday, December 14

Winter is wonderful and cold is "Cool" at Hanson Hills Recreation Area in Grayling Township. Grayling Recreation Authority (GRA) Director, Cindy Olson, is inviting everyone to come out to Hanson Hills and enjoy some winter fun.

that Hanson Hills' plans to open before Christmas may actually happen," Olson said. "The early snow and cold temperatures have made preparations to open possible."

Weather Service, local temperatures are expected to run below or around normal for the next few 14 a real possibility.

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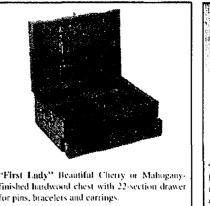
Olson said.

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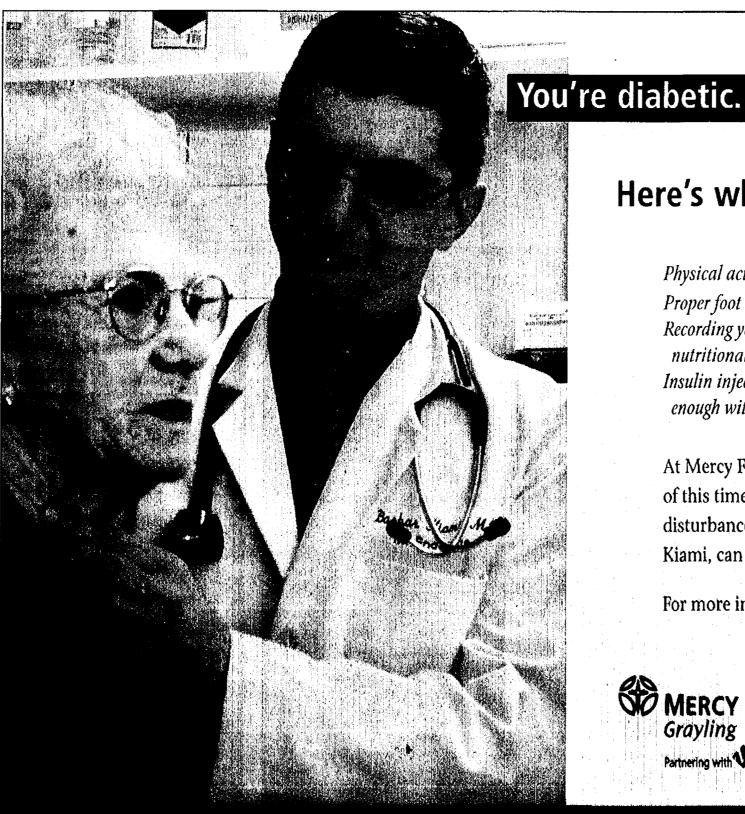
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by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.

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# Unique conference center an asset to northern Michigan

by Susan Warrington Staff Writer

There is a unique conference center in the heart of the lower peninsula - the Ralph A. MacMullan Conference Center located on the north shore of Higgins Lake in Roscommon County. The Center is state-owned and run by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and it is not the typical motel/hotel with conference rooms attached.

The MacMullan Center was built by the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) before World War II with funds provided by the Work Projects Administration (WPA), a federal financial relief organization.

Work on the Center began in 1939 and by 1941 the Center consisted of an Administration building which also housed the kitchen and dining room, four dormitories each containing a small meeting room and small spartan bedrooms with communal bathrooms down the hall, a small classroom building, a heating plant and a shop building.

In 1957 the classroom building was converted into a dormitory and a new classroom building which can host two different meetings at the same time was constructed. The five dorms were named for the Great Lakes in 1979. Since then a newer dorm, The Straits, has been added.

The Conference Center has a capacity of 135 guests and hosts

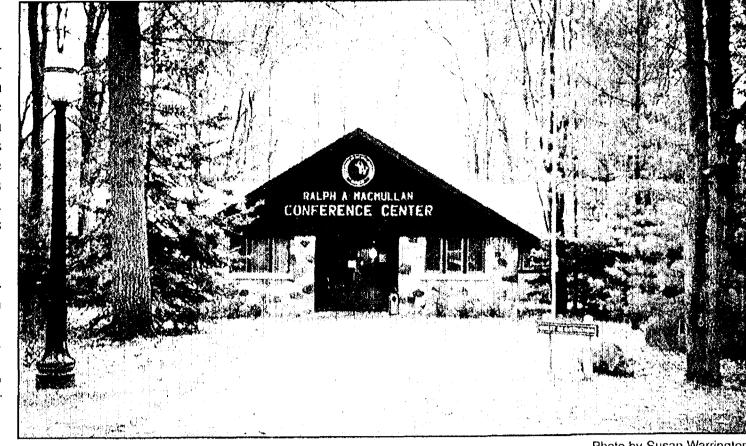


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The administration (above) and classroom (see below) buildings reflect the natural ambience of the Conference Center located near Roscommon.

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was to train DNR personnel. Prior to the construction of the center training was done at Vanderbilt and at the Forest Fire Experiment Station near Roscommon with attendees staying in tents.

In order to keep the Center selfsufficient economically other groups have been allowed to use the center but there are still restrictions on the groups that may attend the center. At the behest of some local businesses, the legislature restricted the clientele to environmental and conservation education groups, goverment agencies, education institutions, nonprofit corporations and associations, handicapper groups and organizations hosting an eventhat has a natural resources or environmental agenda.

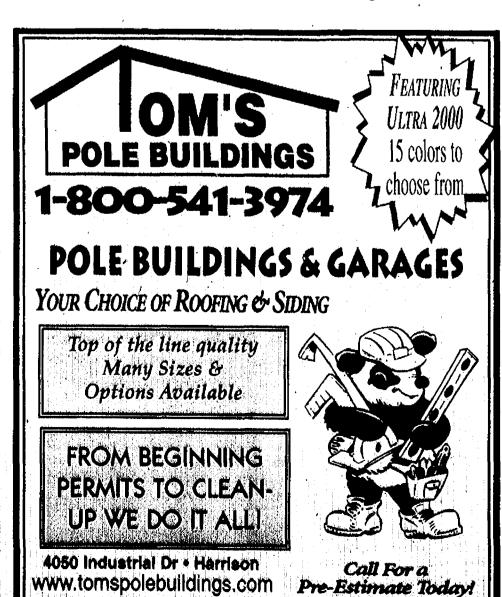
Interim manager Mark Buchinger said one thing many people comment very favorably on is the food While in the Administration Building the guests also enjoy some old pen and ink drawing, photographs and paintings adorning the walls in the dining rooms. Guests also check out the paneling for the building which came from logs salvaged from the May 1939, Presque

The Administration Building also has many brochures for local attractions and Buchinger said that many people who come to the Higgins Lake area for the first time for a conference, return to the area with their families for vacations.

Suggestions have been made that the Center should be sold to private interests so some quick cash can be made and the government will stor competing against privately owned hotels/motels with conference facilities. One consequence of this would probably be the loss of revenue for existing conference centers in the area since the new owners of the conference center would have no restrictions on conferences they could host.

If the Center was sold to private interests, there is no guarantee the land would continue to be used for a conference center - it could be turned into a few private homes or several condos, thereby losing a conveniently located conference center for residents who live ir northern Michigan.

# The Grayling Nursing Centre invites you to attend our monthly Community Connection Everyone is welcome! December's Topic Wills, Guardianships, Power of Attorney Information By: Christine Brzezinski, P.L.C., Attorney at Law Wednesday, December 4th from 3 pm - 4 pm at The Grayling Nursing Centre 331 Meadows Drive, Grayling, MI 49738 A question and answer selected will follow the speaker Blood pressures and weight maken TREF for all was strend Refushments will be served! with any questions (935)?



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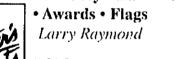
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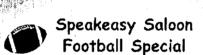
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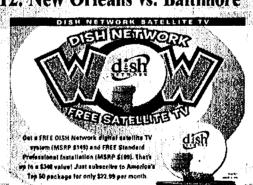
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(1) Contestants must list the advertiser in which each game is found. Write your processory for the games played, advertisers and tiebreakers (total points scored by both teams) on entry form. Entry form without advertisers listed will be invalid. The person with the most correct picks wins all the weekly prizes listed. If the trip, the composition of the advertisers and tiebreakers (total points scored by both teams) on entry form. Entry form without advertisers listed will be invalid. The person with the most correct picks wins all the weekly prizes listed. If the trip, the composition of the advertisers and tiebreakers (total points scored by both teams) on entry form. Entry form a week will be accepted. Crawford County Avalanche entry a drawing will be held to select a single winner. (2) One entry per person a week will be accepted. Crawford County Avalanche entry form as printed in the Avalanche. The available at the Avalanche office winner may claim their prizes at the Avalanche office between 9 am and 5 pm weekdays. Identification and a social security number must be presented when claiming prizes.

# NOTICE OF **MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE** SALE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John B. Mehal, Jr. and Dennise G. Mehal a/k/a D.J. Mehal, Husband and wife (original mortgagors) to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 2, 2001, and recorded on November 13, 2001 in Liber 0559 on Page 388 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty Thousand Three Hundred Eighty-Nine and 61/100 dollars (\$80,389.61), including interest at 6.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on December 18, 2002.

Said premises are situated in Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Parcel f; a parcel of land located in the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 29, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan, being further described as follows: Commencing at the West 1/4 corner of said Section 29, Town 26 North, Range 2 West; thence North 00 degrees 05 minutes 33 seconds West along the West Section line 989.26 feet for a point of beginning, thence continuing North 00 degrees, 05 minutes, 33 seconds West 325,26 feet to a 1/2 inch times 18 inches Bar and cap #30083; thence South 89 degrees 53 minutes 45 seconds East along the North 1/8 line 321.27 feet; thence South 00 degrees 05 minutes 46 seconds East, 325.17 feet; thence North 89 degrees 54 minutes 45 seconds West, 321.29 feet to the point of beginning. Together with and subject to a road and utility easement described as follows: Commencing at the West 1/4 corner of said Section 29, Town 26 North, Range 2 West: thence North 00 degrees 05 minutes; 33 seconds West along the West Section line 956.26 feet for a point of beginning; thence continuing North 00 degrees 05 minutes 33 seconds West, 66.00 feet; thence South 89

degrees 54 minutes 45 seconds East 655.81 feet thence along the arc of a non-tangent curve to the right, said curve having a radius of 100.00 feet; are length of 561.60 feet, central angle of 321 degrees 46 minutes 25 seconds, a chord bearing of South 00 degrees 05 minutes 15 seconds West, and a chord length of 66.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 54 minutes 45 seconds, West, 655.60 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 14, 2002 For Information, Please Call Cougars 248-593-1301 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File # 200230609 Cougars

-14-21-28-05-12

# **NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE** SALE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Denise Marie Elekonich a married woman and Jerry L. Elekonich her husband (original mortgagors) to Citizens Bank, Mortgagee, dated May 21, 1999, and recorded on June 17, 1999 in Liber 484 on Page 168 in Crawford County Records, Michigan and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., as assignee by an assignment dated May 21, 1999, which was recorded on September 15, 1999, in Liber 490 on Page 532 Crawford County Records, and re-recorded on October 26, 1999, in Liber 494 on Page 03, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-One Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Two and 30/100 dollars (\$71,542.30), including interest at 7.250% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said

**NOTICE OF CHANGE** 

OF MEETING DATE

Please be advised that the regular January, 2003 meeting of the COOR

**PUBLIC NOTICE** 

This notice is to advise you and all interested persons that I have

scheduled a Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearing concerning a vari-

ance request from the Christian Help Center to build a 28'x22' addition

The Public Hearing to consider this matter is scheduled for 4:30 p.m. on

Thursday, December 12, 2002 at the Grayling City Office, 5688 M-72

West. All interested parties are hereby requested to attend said Public

Hearing and/or submit such data as may be pertinent to the case(s) at

hand. Data may be submitted to the Grayling City Office, 5688 M-72

West, P.O. Box 549, Grayling, MI 49738 and inquiries may be directed

**PUBLIC NOTICE TO RESIDENTS** 

WITHIN 300 FEET

Frederic Township residents be notified the Zoning Board of Appeals

will be holding a public hearing on December 9, 2002, at 7:00 p.m. in

the Frederic Township Hall. Located at 7564 C. R. 612, to hear the fol-

2870 White Pine Dr.

Grayling, MI 49738

The Petitioner is requesting a variance in order to build a garage on the

property located as listed above. The variance is to build within 26 ft. of

the rear lot line, which is closer than Frederic Township Ordinance

Howes Lake Road area

Parcel # 20-030-033-001-040-00

Robert Card Jr.

Frederic Township

The Petitioner is requesting a variance in order to have 20 dogs in his

proposed kennel than the Frederic Township Zoning Ordinance allows.

Tentative text and maps may be examined at the Frederic Township

Correspondence concerning the request should be directed to Frederic

Township Zoning Dept., P.O. Box 78, Frederic, MI 49733, Telephone

Elizabeth Lepper, Petitioner

Parcel # 20-032-340-000-023-00

to City Manager Allen Lowe by calling 989-348-2131.

Board of Education, has been changed -

From:

on 300 Huron Street.

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City Clerk

11-26-02

lowing cases.

2002 ZBA 006 Owner:

2002 ZBA 007 Owner:

office during normal business hours.

Robert Jones, Superintendent

C.O.O.R. Intermediate School District

January 8, 2003

January 15, 2003

mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on December 18, 2002.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot No. 7, Shangri-LA Subdivision, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Pages 3 and 4, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such

Dated: November 14, 2002 For Information, Please Call Mustangs 248-593-1306 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 Tile # 200230845 Mustangs

-14-21-28-05-12

# **FORECLOSURE** NOTICE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Kimberly Bofysil, and Dennis Ray Bofysil, husband and wife to Stone Castle Home Loans, a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated August 31, 2000 and recorded September 18, 2000 in Liber 517, Page 519, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned thrumesne assignments to: Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A., as trustee for Amortizing Residential Collateral Trust 2001-BC4 assignment dated November 27, 2000, and recorded June 5, 2002 in Liber 584, Page 47, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy One Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Five and 96/100 (\$71,585,96), including interest at 12.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door to the County Bldg., in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on Wednesday, January 8, 2003.

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as: - (-)

Bot 54, Manistee River Woods, Township of Brederick Chawford (County, Michigan, as) recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 16, Crawford County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: November 22, 2002

Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A. as trustee for Amortizing Residential Collateral Trust 2001-BC4 Assignee of Mortgage Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 36150 Dequindre Rd. Ste 620 Sterling Heights, MI 48310 (586) 795-4400 Ext 110 Our File No: 02-10310

-28-05-12-19-26

# Notice of Mortgage **Foreclosure**

Sale

Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C. is a debt collector and we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michelle C. Oberg, an unmarried woman, individual to American Heritage, Inc., The State of Michigan, Mortgagee, dated February 20, 1999 and recorded on March 5, 1999, in Liber 476, on page 194 Crawford County Records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignment to Manufacturers & Traders Trust Company, One M & T Plaza Buffalo, NY 14203-2399, Trustee for securitization series 1999-2 agreement dated 3-01-99, by an assignment dated July 9, 2002, and recorded on July 22, 2002, in Liber 589, on page 378 Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of thirty thousand six hundred twenty four and 69/100 dollars (\$30,624.69), including interest at 10.700% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door of County Building, Grayling, MI at 10:00 a.m. on January 8, 2003.

Said premises are situated in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Lot 1, Block 5 of Hadley's Second Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 01 of Plats, page 10, Crawford County

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948 CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 21, 2002 Attorney for: Assignce of Mortgagee Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C. 401 South Old Woodward Avenue Suite 300 Birmingham, MI 48009-6616 For information please call: (248) 540-7701 Manufacturers & Traders Trust Company, One M & T Plaza Buffalo, NY 14203-2399

Trustee for securitization series 1999-2 Agreement dated 3-01-99 Assignce of Mortgagee -21-28-5-12-19

# Notice of Mortgage **Foreclosure** Sale

This firm is attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for

MORTGAGE SALE Default having been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Kerry L. Ihrke, a single woman, of 104 Woodleaf, Grayling, Michigan, 49738, to The United States of America, acting through the Rural Housing Service, United States Department of Agriculture, with its District Office being located at 240 W. Wright Street, West Branch, Michigan, 48661, the Mortgagee, such Mortgage being dated April 27, 1998 and recorded June 4, 1998 in Liber 455 in Crawford County Records on Pages 155-160, such Mortgage being given to secure a Promissory Note payable to the Government, and by reason of such default the Mortgagee elects to declare the entire unpaid amount of such Mortgage due and payable forthwith, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice. for principal and interest, the sum of Eighty Three Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Four and 83/100 (\$83,664.83), and no proceedings having been instituted at law or equity to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage

has become operative; Now, Therefore, Notice is Hereby Given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and in pursuance of the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, the said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the south door of the County Building at 200 West Michigan Avenue in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on the 18th day of December, 2002, at 10:00 a.m., local time, and said premises will be sold to pay the amount due as aforesaid on the Mortgage together with 6.75% percent interest, legal costs, attorneys' fees and also any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises described in said Mortgage are situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford and State of Michigan, and are

Lot 13, Woodhurst, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 5, Crawford County Records.

described as:

During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed unless the property is abandoned, in which case the redemption shall be thirty (30) days from the date of sale.

For further information with regard to this foreclosure, contact USDA - Rural Development, 1501 Cass Street, Suite A, Traverse City, Michigan, 49684, telephone (231) 941-0951.

Dated: November 20, 2002 Michael I. Conlon (P43954) Running, Wise & Ford, P.L.C. 326 E. State Street, P.O. Box 686 Traverse City, MI 49685-0686 (231) 946-2700

United States of America, acting through the Rural Housing Service, United States Dept. of Agriculture, Mortgagee

-21-28-5-12

# **CRAWFORD COUNTY** PLANNING COMMISSION **BOARD POSITION**

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners are presently accepting applications for positions on the Planning Commission. Applicants are required to be county residents and requested to have a genuine interest and foresight in future planning and community growth in Planning and Zoning for Crawford County. Must be able to make good decisions and participate at monthly meetings held every first Wednesday at 7:00 .m. Applications can be obtained and submitted to County Clerk Sandra Moore no later than 10:00 a.m. December 11, 2002 at the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI

Sandra Moore County Clerk/Register of Deeds November 22, 2002

# **Notice of** Mortgage **Foreclosure** Sale

Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C. is a debt collector and we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Doyle W. Kunkel and Betty L. Kunkel, his wife to Grayling State Bank, now known as Citizens Bank, A Michigan Banking Corporation, Mortgagee, dated November 16, 1987, and recorded on December 14, 1987, in Liber 271, on page 134 Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of thirty eight thousand eighty nine and 70/100 Dollars (\$38,089.70), including interest at 7.000% per annum.

Under the power of the sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door of County Building, Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 a.m. on January 8, 2003.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Parcel No. 4: Commencing at the Southeast corner of the Northwest 1/4 of Northeast 1/4 of Section 13, Town 26 North, Range 4 West, thence North 0 degrees 19 minutes West on the 1/8 line, a distance of 757.94 feet, thence South 89 degrees 51 minutes West, 133.7 feet; thence North 0 degrees 19 minutes West 127.8 feet to the South line of M-72 and M-93, thence North 89 degrees 51 minutes East, along said right-of-way of M-72 and M-93, 133.7 feet, thence South 0 degrees 19 minutes East, 127.8 feet to the point of beginning. Being part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 13, Town 26 North, Range 4 West.

Together with an easement and right of way as granted by Madonna D. LaMotte on February 23, 1987 and recorded in Liber 258, Pages 40 through 43, Crawford County Records over Kent Avenue.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such

Banking Corporation Mortgagee Attorney for: Mortgagee Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C. 401 South Old Woodward Avenue Suite 300 Birmingham, MI 48009-6616

Dated: December 5, 2002

Citizens Bank, A Michigan

For information please call:

# **Notice of** Mortgage **Foreclosure** Sale

Peter M. Schneiderman & Associates, P.C., is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by: Denise M. English, a single woman and David L. Demara, a married man to Source One Mortgage Services Corporation, Mortgagee, dated September 29, 1995, and recorded on October 9, 1995, in Liber 401, on page 164, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgagee to GMAC Mortgage Corporation, by an assignment dated February 1, 1999, and recorded on April 26, 1999, in Liber 479, on Page 585, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty Six Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Five and 00/100 Dollars (\$36,895.00), including interest at 7.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door of the Court Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 o'clock a.m., on January 8, 2003.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

The South 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 25, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, excepting 33 feet off the West side for road purposes. (Tax #20-041-025-004-120-00).

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such

Dated: November 22, 2002

GMAC Mortgage Corporation Mortgagee Peter M. Schneiderman & Associates, P.C. 30300 Northwestern Highway, Suite 222 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334 -05-12-19-26-02

# **Notice of** Mortgage **Foreclosure** Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Harold J. Johnson and Roberta M. Johnson, husband and wife (original mortgagors) to First Chicago NBD Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated November 9, 1996, and recorded on December 10, 1996 in Liber 422 on Page 481 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as assignee by an assignment dated June 1, 1999, which was recorded on November 2, 1999, in Liber 494 on Page 338 Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Seven Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Nine and 04/100 dollars (\$37,339.04), including inter-

est at 8.350% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on January 15, 2003.

Said premises are situated in Township of Lovells, Crawford County, Michigan, and are

The North 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 29, Town 28 North, Range 1 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 month(s) from the date of such sale. Dated: December 5, 2002 For information, please call: Team J (248) 593-1311 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File # 200231068

Team J

-05-12-19-26-02

# **Notice of** Mortgage (248) 540-7701 Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Lawrence Spicer and Valerie Spicer, husband and wife, as tenants by the entirety (original mortgagors) to Rock Financial Corporation, Mortgagee, dated July 29, 1999, and recorded on August 12, 1999 in Liber 488 on Page 281 in Crawford County Records Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., as assignee by an assignment dated July 29, 1999, which was recorded on July 31, 2001, in Liber 0545 on Page 408 Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Five Thousand Seven Hundred Eight and 85/100 dollars (\$95,708.85), including interest at 7.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgatge will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m., on January 15, 2003.

Said premises are situated in Township of Maple Forest, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

The South 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 16, Town 28 North, Range 3 West, Crawford County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 month(s)

from the date of sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redeption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: December 5, 2002

For information, please call: Team X (248) 593-1302 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys and Counselors 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File # 200232414 Team X

-05-12-19-26-02

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Grayling Housing Commission will be holding a public hearing on its Agency Plan. The Annual Plan is a compilation of the Housing Commissioner's functional policies. The Five-year Plan is a guide for Housing Commission activities in the future.

As these plans are constructed, the Housing Commission must allow public review of these policies and allow for comment. Therefore, as of November 1, the Agency Plan and its constituent plans will be available for public review at the Housing Commission's office, located at 308 Lawndale Drive. At the regularly scheduled meeting, on December 10th, at 6:30 p.m. public hearings will be held in order to receive any public comments on the plans.

#### Douglas J. Pratt Frederic Two. Zoning Administrator

(989) 348-8840.

#### A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

#### 23 Years Ago **December 6, 1979**

Delivery of new radio equipment that will provide more versatility to the sheriff's department is expected in December, according to Undersheriff Joe White.

When the equipment is operative it will allow the sheriff's department to become a more centralized communication center, permitting contact with agencies such as the DNR, Road Commission and Camp Grayling.

Groundbreaking for the new Cambel Industries Building was held Monday morning. According to Bill and Helen Campbell, the new business venture will create 10 to 12 new jobs. The facility will produce artificial fireplace logs known as Michigan Byrch.

Grayling High School Director, Mike Branch, was advised that Grayling has been selected as a site to host a Class "C" Regional Basketball tourney next March. District winners from Reed City, Roscommon and East Jordan will play here.

Skates might have been a more appropriate mode of transportation Thursday night when snow turned I-75 into a virtual ice rink in and around Grayling.

A rash of mishaps began around 5 p.m. as several vehicles left the expressway and had to be pulled out of ditches.

Tangy BBQ

Rubbed

Ribs

RECIPE OF THE 2 tablespoons salt

Despite the snow, area students headed out for school as usual on Friday morning, realizing that "Old Man Winter" had finally arrived on the scene to stay.

Band Director Robert Harris reported that five Grayling High School students had been selected on the District II Honors Band following recent tryouts. The five include Marian Matyn, George Morse, Sue Prause, Tim Taylor and Sue Weeber.

The Honors Band will perform at Corson Auditorium at Interlochen on December 9.

The second annual Fur Auction will take place at Hanson Hills this weekend.

Last year the gross proceeds exceeded \$225,000.

The Jazz Concerts held last Tuesday evening at the Rialto Theater drew 350 people to the two performances. Over \$500 was raised. The money will be used to purchase needed jazz band equipment.

The annual meeting of the Grayling Multi-List Association was held on Thursday. The following were named new officers: Robert Prause, President; George Dice, Vice President; Dale Nielson, Secretary/Treasurer; Weston Wood, Publicity Chairman and Ruth

Steffe, Office Administrator. Grand Valley State College announced that Junior Will Roach

2 1/2 tablespoons sugar

1 1/2 tablespoons brown sugar

2 tablespoons ground cumin

2 tablespoons chili powder

4 tablespoons paprika

1 1/2 tablespoons black pepper

1 1/2 tablespoons cayenne pepper

of Grayling has been named to the All Great Lakes International Conference "Dream Athletic Team." Roach is the third leading College history.

Donald Fenton, Kirtland Community College Natural Resources Instructor, presented the Patrick J. Trahan Memorial Scholarship to Cindy Inman and Gary Seloske.

#### 46 Years Ago **December 6, 1956**

This Saturday is Grayling Shoppers' Window Merchants will be offering many fine, useful and expensive gifts that await the right person for free in the windows of many merchants.

The only thing the window shopper needs is their right number coupon. The coupons are issued in this week's edition of the Avalanche.

The event was designed by the merchants to do something nice for their customers while at the same time showing their customers the fine stock now on display throughout the stores.

The Frederic Eagles vaulted into the lead in the Antrim County League with their second loop victory that downed Central Lake. Wayne Watson and Bob Pratt led the Eagles with 15 points each.

The buying public in Crawford County has been stepping up its spending for services. These services include beauty care, upkeep of clothing, automobile repair and storage, movies, bowling and a host of other luxuries ranging from linen and diaper supply to interior decoration.

Michigan's winter sports season rusher in Grand Valley State is officially under way, thanks to the first-of-the-season snowfall and prolonged cold snap. Sixty ski areas in Michigan will gear up for the winter season.

#### 69 Years Ago **December 7, 1933**

With the showing of "Love and Honor and Oh Baby," the Rialto Theatre announced the public dedication and operation of the revolutionary new "High Fidelity" sound reproducing system installed by RCA Victor.

A new portable typewriter for only \$14.95 makes a great Christmas gift. No toy; a practical typewriter made by the Remington Typewriter Company.

# 92 Years Ago

# **December 8, 1910**

Highway Commissioner Peck began rolling snow roads last week, and will continue to get them ready for the next storm.

The mercury reached zero for the first time this winter Tuesday morning.

County Treasurer A.B. Failing took in the Land Congress and stock show at Chicago last week, and reports an immense interest shown for Northern Michigan land, after viewing the products displayed there. He only regrets that Crawford had so few boomers there to distribute literature and answer questions.

2 splashes of fresh squeezed orange juice

1 teaspoon of freshly squeezed lime juice

Combine all the ingredients in a bowl

Massage mix into the meat thoroughly the

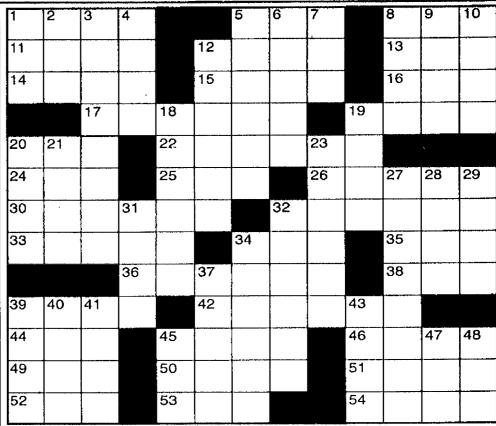
night before grilling. Wrap meat in plastic

and refrigerate until grilling time. After meat

has been fully cooked, garnish each piece

with a slice of juicy mango.

# CROSSWORD



#### **ACROSS**

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- 5. Public transport 8. Center of commerce
- 11. Room freshener's target
- 12. Bull, in Barcelona
- 13. Bobby of the Bruins 14. Colorado ski resort
- **15.** Scott Joplin tunes
- 16. Where "The Boss" was born 17. Acquire
- 19. Bummer
- 20. Cable channel 22. More cerise
- 24. Debtor's letters
- Constitution
- 26. Jewish teacher
- 30. Uncover, with "out" 32. Buffalo hockey team
- 33. Flotilla
- \_Autumn" (1941 song) 35. When We Were Kings
- subject 36. On dry land
- **38.** Receptacle
- 39. Object
- 42. Come forth
- 44. "I've Got The World \_\_\_\_\_ String" (2 wds.)
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- and Ollie 46. Violinist Bull et. al.
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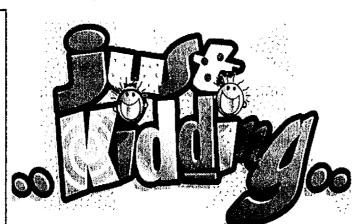
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- 5. Basketball rebounds, informally
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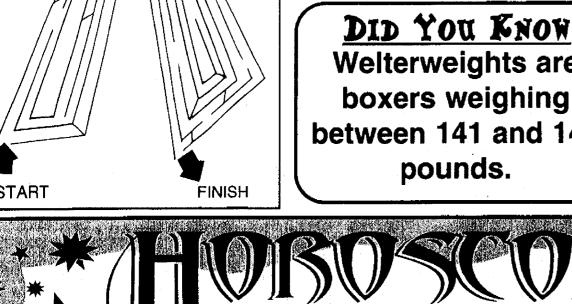
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July 22

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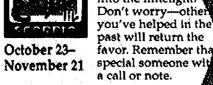
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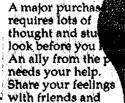


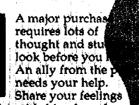


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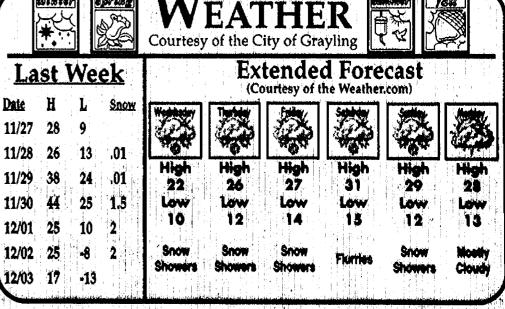


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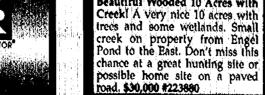
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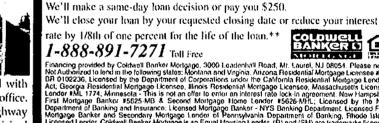
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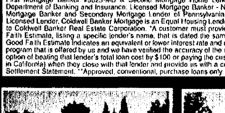
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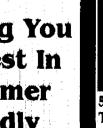
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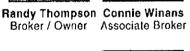
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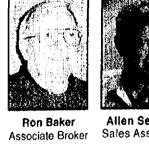


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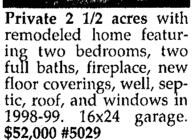


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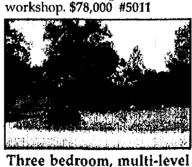
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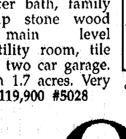




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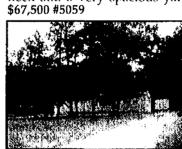


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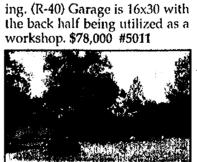
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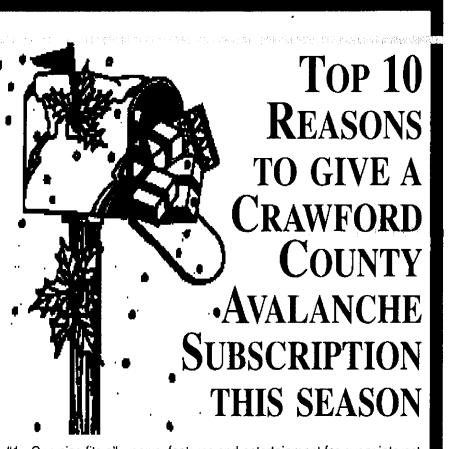
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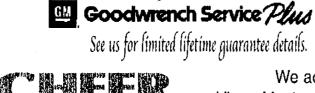
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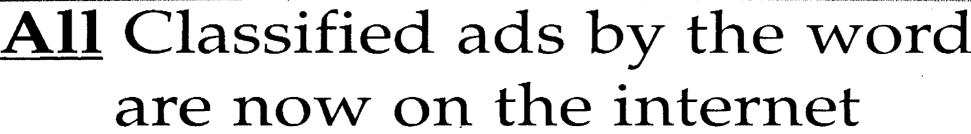
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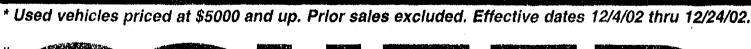
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